



**MIAMI-DADE COUNTY  
FINAL OFFICIAL MINUTES  
Economic Development and Human Services  
Committee (EDHSC)**

**Board of County Commissioners**

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**FINAL OFFICIAL**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Economic Development and Human Services**  
**Committee**

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

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**Wednesday, May 14, 2008**

**9:30 AM**

**COMMISSION CHAMBERS**

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

**Members Absent:** None.

**Members Late:** None.

**Members Excused:** None.

**Members Absent County Business:** None.

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**1 MINUTES PREPARED BY:**

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

**1A INVOCATION**

**1B PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

**1C**      **ROLL CALL**

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

*CHANGES TO TODAY'S COMMITTEE AGENDA*

*In addition to the changes noted in the County Manager's memorandum entitled, "Requested Changes to the Economic Development and Human Services Committee Agenda," Assistant County Attorney Johnson-Stacks advised the Committee of the requested withdrawal of the March 12, 2008, Committee meeting minutes and the addition of Agenda Item 7A Supplement.*

*Commissioner Moss informed the Committee members of an add-on item (Agenda Item 3G, Legislative File No. 081534) coming forth to be considered by this Committee.*

*Hearing no objection, it was moved by Commissioner Sorenson that the Committee Agenda as amended to withdraw the March 12, 2008, Committee minutes and to add Agenda Items 3G and 7A Supplement. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Jordan, and upon being put to a vote, passed by a vote of 4-0 (Commissioner Souto was absent).*

**1D**      **OPENING REMARKS FROM  
CHAIRPERSON EDMONSON**

**1E**      **CITIZEN'S PRESENTATION(S)**

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## 081463 Citizen's

IRBY MCKNIGHT ON ST. AGNES CDC PROPERTIES

*Presented*

**Report:** *Mr. Irby McKnight, 1600 NW 3 Avenue, appeared before the Committee at the request of residents in the Overtown community to discuss the Saint Agnes Rainbow Village Community Development Corporation (CDC) housing development. He urged Committee members to honor the local commitment from the Miami-Dade County Empowerment Zone Trust to provide affordable housing for the citizens in Overtown and Miami-Dade County. Mr. McKnight also asked that the County fast track the return of the subject property located on the north side of NW 17 Street from NW 3 Avenue to NW 4 Avenue to St. Agnes CDC. Mr. McKnight noted housing units were greatly needed in the Overtown area.*

*Chairwoman Edmonson noted she previously requested the Administration research the Saint Agnes CDC properties and provide her with a status report on those properties.*

*Mr. Jose Cintron, Director, Office of Community and Economic Development (OCED), noted no official commitment was made between the Empowerment Zone Trust and the St. Agnes CDC to turn over the properties in question to the CDC.*

*Ms. Cynthia Curry, Senior Advisor to the County Manager, noted several meetings held with St. Agnes CDC and staff would continue to research this matter and provide a status report, as requested by Chairwoman Edmonson.*

*Ms. Curry stated the subject property could be conveyed to the County upon approval by the County Commission.*

*Mr. Cintron asked Chairwoman Edmonson to allow staff to research any funding commitments and the plans for development of the St. Agnes CDC properties.*

*Chairwoman Edmonson asked staff to meet with Mr. McKnight and Rev. Dr. Richard L. Marquess-Barry, Executive Director, St. Agnes Rainbow Village Development Corporation, Incorporation to determine how the County could proceed with the transfer of the St. Agnes CDC properties to Miami-Dade County.*

*Mr. McKnight stated he would provide Chairwoman Edmonson with copies of the Development and Operating agreements.*

*Chairwoman Edmonson asked that Mr. McKnight submit copies of those agreements to the Clerk, for the record.*

**1F      PUBLIC HEARINGS**

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080787 Ordinance Jose "Pepe" Diaz,  
Joe A. Martinez, Dorrin D. Rolle, Natacha Seijas, Rebeca  
Sosa

ORDINANCE CREATING A SEPARATE ARTICLE TO BE INCLUDED IN CHAPTER 11A OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY CODE; PROVIDING HEALTH INSURANCE ELIGIBILITY AND OTHER BENEFITS TO THE DEPENDENTS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY EMPLOYEES; ESTABLISHING DEPENDENT RIGHTS OF VISITATION; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

*Deferred to no date certain*

*Mover: Moss*

*Seconder: Jordan*

*Vote: 5-0*

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

*Chairwoman Edmonson opened the public hearing.*

*The following persons appeared and spoke in support and urged the Committee to forward this proposed ordinance to the County Commission for consideration:*

1. *Mr. Santiago Leon, 11600 SW 69 Avenue, Miami, Florida;*
2. *Mr. Martin Lampkin, 10235 SW 172 Street, Miami, Florida;*
3. *Mr. Eladio Jose Armesto, President, Cuban-American Publishers Association;*
4. *Mr. Nathaniel Wilcox, 3111 NW 135 Street;*
5. *Reverend Robert Meyers, Miami Baptist Church of West Kendall;*
6. *Mr. Dennis Baxley, Executive Director, Christian Coalition of Florida, 26 SE 9 Terrace, Ocala, Florida;*
7. *Mr. John Waddell, 8411 SW 202 Street;*
8. *Ms. Sybel Lee, 602 NW 100 Street;*
9. *Reverend David Vega, Executive Director, Mission Miami, 18650 SW 210 Street;*
10. *Mr. Reginald Thompson, 585 NW 121 Street, North Miami, Pastor of Trinity Church;*
11. *Ms. Karen Thompson, 585 NW 121 Street, Trinity Church;*
12. *Mr. Tian Parnter;*
13. *Ms. Sandra Wong, 19660 SW 87 Street;*
14. *Reverend Augusto Valverde;*
15. *Reverend Albert Guthrie;*
16. *Dr. Andres Estevez;*
17. *Mr. David Allen;*
18. *Mr. Robert Rodriguez, 16261 SW 287 Street;*
19. *Ms. Teresita Miglio, 310 SW 67 Court;*

20. Reverend Arthur White, 19091 NW 15 Court;
21. Ms. Lillian Delgado;
22. Mr. Anthony Verdugo, submitted a list of organizations and elected officials in support of this proposal;
23. Mr. Eddy Gervais, 100 NW 198 Street;
24. Mr. Noel Lozano, 7850 SW 146 Court;
25. Mr. Dennis Villalobos, 19720 NW 39 Avenue.

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

Commissioner Diaz explained the intent of the foregoing ordinance and emphasized the importance of the proposed project to the residents of this community, particularly considering the health care crisis. He noted Salt Lake City, Utah; Vancouver, Canada; and San Francisco, California was currently adopting similar legislation. Commissioner Diaz urged Committee member to forward this proposed ordinance for consideration by the County Commission simultaneously with Legislative File No. 080986 previously considered at April 16, 2008, Committee relating to health insurance eligibility and other benefits to domestic partners of County employees.

Responding to Chairwoman Edmonson's inquiry regarding the impact to the County's self-insured health insurance program, Ms. Wendi Norris, Director, General Services Administration, noted the County had no past experience with a self-insured health insurance program. Consequently, she was unable to comment on the impact on the County's program at this time. She stated staff would review the legislation being considered in Salt Lake City, Utah and other cities previously mentioned by Commissioner Diaz.

Concerning Commissioner Sorenson's question as to whether this proposal was applicable to domestic partners, Assistant County Attorney Johnson-Stacks stated this proposal would not prohibit coverage to domestic partners. She noted staff had prepared some additional language, which she asked Assistant County Attorney Scott Mario to read into the record.

Assistant County Attorney Mario advised the Committee of the following proposed amendments to this proposed ordinance:

- (1) To change the language on page 2, Section 2

subsection (e), to read as follows: "Jointly responsible means that the members of the household mutually agree to provide for the other members basic food, shelter and living expenses while they share a household; except that members need not contribute equally or jointly to set basic food, shelter and living expenses."

(2) To delete the language on page 3, Section 3 subsection (b) (3).

(3) To change the language in Section 3 subsection (c) to read as follows: "Members of the single household may jointly declare a dependent relationship by filing a declaration, which shall contain the name and address of each member of the household, and the names of any dependents of the members, the signature of each member, and the signature of any dependents over the age of eighteen and competent to contract. The declaration shall certify: (1) Each member of the relationship is at least 18 years old and competent to contract; (2) Each member of the relationship that reside in the same household; (3) Each member of the relationship consider himself or herself to be a member of the immediate family of the other and to be jointly responsible for maintaining and supporting the Registered Dependent Relationship; (4) Any person identified as a dependent meets the definition of either a Dependent relative or Household dependent; (5) Each member agrees to immediately notify the Consumer Services, in writing, if the terms of the Dependent Relationship are no longer applicable or a member or dependent wishes to terminate the dependent relationship.

(4) To add language to Section 5, subsection (c) to read as follows: "The Mayor is authorized and directed to take all action necessary to implement the provisions of this section within 90 days after this ordinance is enacted."

Commissioner Sorenson pointed out that as proposed, this resolution would call for a universal health care plan which was the Federal Government's responsibility, not the County's. She also noted the County was facing potential budget cuts this year in parks, human services, health care, police, fire and libraries; and could not assume this type of responsibility. Commissioner Sorenson noted health care insurance companies were asked in 2007, whether they would provide this type of dependent health insurance coverage before the County implemented the self-insured plan; and Vista, Humana, Jackson Memorial Hospital Health Plan, and Av-Med indicated that they were concerned regarding the risks and the

additional costs involved in this type of coverage. She reiterated that the County could not afford this type of insurance coverage at this time.

Commissioner Diaz noted this proposal was not universal health care. He explained the risks and the additional costs would be minimal on this issue. Commissioner Diaz stated the question referenced by Commissioner Sorenson was asked of insurance companies during consideration of his proposal regarding elderly health care. He asked staff to provide any other questions that were presented to the insurance companies to him.

Commissioner Jordan noted she concurred with Commissioner Sorenson's comments regarding universal health care; that she was also concerned that sufficient data was not available to Committee members. She noted a survey of County employees was needed to determine the need for extended family health coverage and the additional cost to the employee.

Commissioner Diaz urged Committee members to forward this ordinance to the County Commission with or without a recommendation.

Commissioner Moss stated he supported the concept of this proposed ordinance, but he also supported Commissioner Jordan's suggestion for a survey and additional information.

Commissioner Diaz noted no historical data existed on coverage for domestic partners; however, he would ensure that the questions raised by Committee members were addressed before the ordinance was considered by the County Commission.

Commissioner Seijas noted the community needed this proposed ordinance. She urged Committee members to forward it to the County Commission without a recommendation, as previously requested by Commissioner Diaz.

Chairwoman Edmonson supported the comments regarding the study recommended by Commissioner Jordan.

It was moved by Commissioner Souto to forward this proposed ordinance to the County Commission without a recommendation. This motion died due to the lack of a second.

Responding to Commissioner Moss' inquiry

regarding the time needed to conduct an actuary study on this proposed ordinance, Ms. Norris stated an actuary study could not be done without data, but staff could conduct a survey among the County employees to determine what percentage of employees would use this type of dependent health coverage.

Concerning Commissioner Moss' request for further regarding the proposal being considered Salt Lake City, Utah and other cities, Commissioner Diaz stated he would provide copies of the articles on this proposal regarding the study. He pointed out that specific question must be framed to ask health insurance companies.

Commissioner Moss questioned whether insurance companies were asked to review this proposal in broader pool, Ms. Norris noted questions were asked of health insurance companies before the Board adopting Resolution No. R-434-07, which was sponsored by Commissioner Diaz on February 28, 2007. She noted this resolution essentially directed the County Manager to study the feasibility of including "dependent parents" under the category of dependents for County health insurance benefit plans for County employees.

Commissioner Moss inquired whether a separate program and/or account would have to be implemented or established if this proposal was adopted by the County Commission, Ms. Norris noted currently the proposal outlined in this ordinance would be part of the family coverage. She pointed out the current County health plan had four tiers: (1) the Employee only, (2) the Employee and Spouse, (3) the Employee plus child/children, and (4) the Employee and family which include the spouse and the children.

Commissioner Moss stressed the need to extend health insurance in a responsible way.

A discussion ensued between Commissioners Diaz and Jordan regarding the County not having stop loss insurance, which was designed to reduce the financial risk for those employers who choose to self-fund their employee medical plans and to protect the self-funded employer from losing money due to devastating or catastrophic claims; and the 20 year history that did not include stop loss insurance of the County not having extended family coverage.

*Responding to Commissioner Jordan's question regarding the feasibility of the County Administration providing information on the willingness of County employees to pay the cost for the needed dependent health care insurance, Ms. Marsha Pascual, Risk Management Division Director, General Services Administration, stated staff would conduct a study of the employees who may need this proposed health insurance coverage, and she indicated it would be a statistical balanced sample.*

*It was moved by Commissioner Jordan that the Miami-Dade County General Services Administration conduct a study to determine the costs and risks involved in the implementation of proposed ordinance as well as a survey that polls a valid sample County employees and to report back to the Committee within 90 days. Commissioner Moss seconded this motion for discussion.*

*A discussion ensued among the Committee members and Ms. Norris regarding the County providing assistance to Jackson Health System to increase its revenue stream and considering other alternative approaches for health care coverage.*

*Commissioner Diaz urged the Committee to forward this proposed ordinance without a recommendation to the County Commission.*

*Commissioner Souto requested that the study requested by Commissioner Jordan also address, as an alternative approach, the feasibility of providing these services through the Jackson Health System, in an effort to increase its revenue stream.*

*Commissioner Jordan accepted the amendment offered by Commissioner Souto.*

*The Committee by motion duly made, seconded and carried, directed the Miami-Dade County General Services Administration to conduct a study to determine the costs and risks involved in the implementation of proposed ordinance; including a survey that polls a valid sample County employees and a determination regarding the possibility of providing the proposed health care coverage through Jackson Health System; and to report back to the Committee within 90 days.*

*Following further discussion regarding the intent*

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*of the foregoing motion, Commissioner Moss offered a motion to reconsider. He subsequently withdrew his motion to reconsider following further clarification*

*Chairwoman Edmonson recommended the Committee defer this proposed ordinance until the study was completed.*

*Chairwoman Edmonson relinquished the Chair to Vice Chairwoman Sorenson.*

*It was moved by Commissioner Edmonson that the Committee forward this proposed ordinance to the County Commission without a recommendation.*

*Vice Chairwoman Sorenson noted, for the record, that Chairwoman Edmonson's motion would fail because she intended to vote "No," and an unanimous vote was required to forward it to the County Commission.*

*Commissioner Moss seconded the motion for discussion.*

*Vice Chairwoman Sorenson noted the Committee had requested a study that did not preclude the Committee from moving forward with this proposed ordinance later.*

*Commissioner Seijas reemphasized the importance of the Committee forwarding this ordinance to the County Commission. She maintained that everyone needed health insurance.*

*The Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to forward this proposed ordinance without a recommendation, and the vote failed by a vote of 4-1, (Vice Chairwoman Sorenson voted "No").*

*Later in the meeting, the Committee proceeded to vote for deferral of this proposed ordinance to no date certain.*

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**081267 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING APPLICATION FOR ONE CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO SOMIR HEALTHCARE TRANSPORTATION, INC. TO PROVIDE COMBINATION WHEELCHAIR AND STRETCHER NONEMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICE (NE CONTROL NO. 150A) (Consumer Services Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Moss*

*Seconder: Sorenson*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Souto*

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

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

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

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**081279 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING APPLICATION FOR ONE CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO SOMIR HEALTHCARE TRANSPORTATION, INC. TO PROVIDE COMBINATION WHEELCHAIR AND STRETCHER NONEMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICE (NE CONTROL NO. 150B) (Consumer Services Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Moss*

*Seconder: Sorenson*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Souto*

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

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

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

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**081280 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING APPLICATION FOR ONE CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO SOMIR HEALTHCARE TRANSPORTATION, INC. TO PROVIDE COMBINATION WHEELCHAIR AND STRETCHER NONEMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICE (NE CONTROL NO. 150C)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Moss*

*Seconder: Sorenson*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Souto*

(Consumer Services Department)

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

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

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

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**081281 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING APPLICATION FOR ONE CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO SOMIR HEALTHCARE TRANSPORTATION, INC. TO PROVIDE COMBINATION WHEELCHAIR AND STRETCHER NONEMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICE (NE CONTROL NO. 150D) (Consumer Services Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Moss*

*Seconder: Sorenson*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Souto*

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

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

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

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**081282 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING APPLICATION FOR ONE CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO SOMIR HEALTHCARE TRANSPORTATION, INC. TO PROVIDE COMBINATION WHEELCHAIR AND STRETCHER NONEMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICE (NE CONTROL NO. 150E) (Consumer Services Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Moss*

*Seconder: Sorenson*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Souto*

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

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

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

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**081284 Ordinance**

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 31-87 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING DIRECTOR TO IMPLEMENT A PER TRIP TAXICAB RATE SURCHARGE DUE TO AN UNFORESEEN INCREASE IN THE PRICE OF GASOLINE; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE (Consumer Services Department)

*Withdrawn*

**Report:** *See Agenda Item 1F7 Substitute; Legislative File No.081511.*

1F7 SUBSTITUTE

**081511 Ordinance**

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 31-87 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING DIRECTOR TO IMPLEMENT A PER TRIP TAXICAB RATE SURCHARGE DUE TO AN UNFORESEEN INCREASE IN THE PRICE OF GASOLINE; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 081284] (Consumer Services Department)

*Amended*

**Report:** *See Agenda Item 1F7 Substitute Amended, Legislative File No. 081612 for the amended version.*

## 1F7 SUBSTITUTE AMENDED

**081612 Ordinance**

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 31-87 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING DIRECTOR TO IMPLEMENT A PER TRIP TAXICAB RATE SURCHARGE DUE TO AN UNFORESEEN INCREASE IN THE PRICE OF GASOLINE; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NOS. 081284 AND 081511] (Consumer Services Department)

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

*Mover: Moss*

*Seconder: Jordan*

*Vote: 5-0*

**Report:**

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

*Chairwoman Edmonson opened the public hearing.*

*Mr. Diego Feliciano, President, South Florida Taxicab Association, appeared before the Committee in support of this proposed ordinance. He urged Committee members to support a \$1.00 versus a \$0.50 increase in the fuel surcharge for taxicabs.*

*Mr. Raymond Francois, 11900 NE 69 Avenue, on behalf of New Vision Taxi Drivers Association, appeared before the Committee and urged the Committee to defer this proposed ordinance, pending further review. He pointed out that 70% of New Vision Taxi Drivers Association used a flat rate system because of their travel to either Miami International Airport or to areas such as Seaport, Coral Gables, Key Biscayne; and that taxicab drivers were not allowed to pick-up from another County.*

*Mr. Gilbert Hernando (phonetic) appeared before the Committee and spoke in support of the initial \$1.00 taxicab rate fuel surcharge. He noted a future discussion could occur regarding an increase to the taximeter.*

*Inaudible speaker, appeared before the Committee, and spoke in support of the foregoing ordinance.*

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

*Responding to Commissioner Moss' inquiry regarding the taxicab industry request for a \$1.00*

*taxicab fuel surcharge, Ms. Cathy Peel, Director, Consumer Services Department, informed the Committee members that staff had no objection to an initial \$1.00 taxicab rate fuel surcharge instead of \$0.50. She noted Washington, D.C. and Chicago charged a \$1.00 taxicab rate fuel surcharge.*

*Commissioner Moss offered an amendment to revise the initial taxicab rate fuel surcharge authorized in the event of an unforeseen, significant increase in gasoline to \$1.00 with \$0.50 increments from the established base price.*

*Following further discussion on the proposed amendment, the Committee forwarded the foregoing proposed ordinance with Committee amendments to revise the initial taxicab rate fuel surcharge authorized in the event of an unforeseen, significant increase in gasoline to \$1.00 with \$0.50 incremental increases from the established base price, as proposed by Commissioner Moss.*

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**081318 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING TRANSFER OF CERTIFICATE OF TRANSPORTATION NO. 146 TO JUMA'S, INC. TO PROVIDE CONTRACT CARRIER SERVICES AS A PASSENGER MOTOR CARRIER (Consumer Services Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation  
Mover: Sorenson  
Seconder: Moss  
Vote: 5-0*

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

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

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

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**081428 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE  
RECOMMENDATIONS OF FUNDING FOR THE MIAMI-  
DADE COUNTY REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS FOR  
THE FY 2008 DOCUMENTARY SURTAX (SURTAX) AND  
STATE HOUSING INITIATIVE PARTNERSHIP (SHIP)  
MID-YEAR CYCLE; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY  
MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY  
NECESSARY AGREEMENTS

*Amended*

(Office of Community and Economic Development)

**Report:** *See Agenda Item 1F9 Amended, Legislative File  
No. 081625 for the amended version.*

1F9 AMENDED

**081625 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF FUNDING FOR THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS FOR THE FY 2008 DOCUMENTARY SURTAX (SURTAX) AND STATE HOUSING INITIATIVE PARTNERSHIP (SHIP) MID-YEAR CYCLE; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY AGREEMENT (Office of Community and Economic Development)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation with committee amendment(s)*  
*Mover: Sorenson*  
*Seconder: Moss*  
*Vote: 5-0*

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

*Chairwoman Edmonson opened the public hearing.*

*Mr. Gonzalo Deramon, 150 SE 2 Street, Miami, Florida, appeared before the Committee, commended staff for their efforts in bringing forth this proposed resolution. He discussed with the Committee members the tax credits, noting each development would provide substantial tax credits to Miami-Dade County. Mr. Deramon stressed to ensure that the County closed on loans within prescribed timeframes, particularly on those involving the rehabilitation of rental housing units.*

*Mr. David Deutch, 9400 South Dadeland Boulevard, Suite 100, Miami, Florida, Pinnacle Housing Group, appeared before the Committee and expressed concerns regarding tax credits.*

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

*Mr. Jose Cintron, Director, Office of Community and Economic Development, provided the Committee members with an overview of the intent of this resolution. He advised the Committee members Exhibit 2 entitled, "Category 2 Applicants" attached to this proposed resolution should be corrected to reflect the final score for Georgia Apartments, LLC as "60" instead of "55."*

*A discussion ensued among Chairwoman Edmonson, Mr. Cintron and Assistant County Attorney Johnson-Stacks regarding commitments of Documentary Surtax (Surtax) and State Housing Initiative Partnership (SHIP) funds for*

*this RFA for the construction of rental housing and contingencies based upon the availability of these funds.*

*Responding to Commissioner Moss' inquiry regarding the partial funding for the Villa Capri Associates, Villa Capri Development, Mr. Cintron stated when the July RFA was issued Villa Capri Associates could apply for additional funding at that time to fill their funding gap.*

*Hearing no further questions or comments, the Committee forwarded the foregoing proposed resolution as amended to correct Exhibit 2 entitled, "Category 2 Applicants" to reflect the final score for Georgia Apartments, LLC as "60" instead of "55", as requested by Mr. Cintron.*

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**081429 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE POLICIES GOVERNING THE PLANNING PROCESS FOR AMENDMENTS TO THE FY 2008-2012 CONSOLIDATED PLAN THROUGH THE PREPARATION OF THE FY 2009 ACTION PLAN; APPROVING THE USE OF A REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS PROCESS FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM, THE HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM (HOME), STATE HOUSING INITIATIVES PARTNERSHIP (SHIP), DOCUMENTARY SURTAX PROGRAM (SURTAX) AND THE EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT (ESG) TO SOLICIT AGENCIES TO APPLY FOR FUNDING TO ADDRESS NEEDS ALREADY IDENTIFIED IN THE PLAN OR TO MEET NEEDS RESULTING FROM THE CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PROCESS. (Office of Community and Economic Development)

*Deferred to next committee meeting*

**Report:** *Chairwoman Edmonson announced the deferral of the foregoing proposed resolution to the next Committee meeting scheduled for June 11, 2008, at 9:30 a.m.*

**2 COUNTY COMMISSION**

2A

081381 Resolution

Dennis C. Moss,

**Audrey M. Edmonson, Barbara J. Jordan**  
RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION OF  
CONTRACTORS' RESOURCES CENTER, INC. ("CRC"),  
TO THE STATE OF FLORIDA OFFICE OF TOURISM,  
TRADE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR  
COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTION TAX CREDIT  
APPROVAL; CERTIFYING THAT CRC'S COMMUNITY  
CONTRIBUTION PROJECTS ARE CONSISTENT WITH  
THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE  
DEVELOPMENT MASTER PLAN ("CDMP") AND ALL  
OTHER APPLICABLE COUNTY REGULATIONS

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable  
recommendation*

*Mover: Moss*

*Seconder: Edmonson*

*Vote: 5-0*

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

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

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081291 Resolution

Sen. Javier D. Souto,

Bruno A. Barreiro

RESOLUTION REQUESTING COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO CONSULT WITH PUBLIC HEALTH TRUST TO STUDY FEASIBILITY OF CREATING A CIVIC CENTER/HEALTH DISTRICT COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AREA IN THE GEOGRAPHIC AREA DESCRIBED GENERALLY AS BOUNDED BY I-95 ON THE EAST, NW 22ND AVENUE ON THE WEST, STATE ROAD 836 AND THE MIAMI RIVER ON THE SOUTH, AND NW 28TH STREET ON THE NORTH AND FEASIBILITY OF EXPANDING AREA DESIGNATED AS CIVIC CENTER URBAN CENTER IN COUNTY'S COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT MASTER PLAN TO MIRROR BOUNDARIES OF PROPOSED CIVIC CENTER/HEALTH DISTRICT COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AREA

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Souto*

*Seconder: Edmonson*

*Vote: 5-0*

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

*The Committee proceeded to vote on this proposed resolution as presented.*

*Commissioner Sorenson expressed concern with establishing a Civic Center/Health District Community Redevelopment Area (CRA) in a high tax generating area in light of property tax reserves decreasing.*

*Chairwoman Edmonson and Commissioner Moss spoke in support of the study for the CRA.*

*Commissioner Souto explained the intent of this proposed resolution.*

**3 DEPARTMENT**

3A

**081278 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A FUEL SURCHARGE FOR TOWS AT THE REQUEST OF PRIVATE PROPERTY OWNERS, POLICE AGENCIES AND OTHER TOWS WITHOUT THE PRIOR CONSENT OF THE VEHICLE OWNER OR A DULY AUTHORIZED AGENT (Consumer Services Department)

*Forwarded to the full BCC by the BCC Chairperson as requested*

**Report:** *SPECIAL NOTE: Chairwoman Edmonson submitted a memorandum requesting that the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro waive the Board's Rules and Procedures to allow the foregoing proposed resolution to be heard at the June 3, 2008 Board meeting.*

3B

**081349 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO AWARD RECAPTURED YOUTH CRIME TASK FORCE CRIME PREVENTION INITIATIVE FUNDS TO THE UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI MILLER SCHOOL ("UM") OF MEDICINE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$400,000; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH UM; AND WAIVING THE REQUIREMENTS OF R-130-06 (Human Services Department)

*Forwarded to the full BCC by the BCC Chairperson as requested*

**Report:** *See Report under Agenda Item 7A, Legislative File No. 081482.*

*SPECIAL NOTE: Chairwoman Edmonson submitted a memorandum requesting that the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro waive the Board's Rules and Procedures to allow the foregoing proposed resolution to be heard at the June 3, 2008 Board meeting.*

3C

**081372 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO AMEND THE GRANT FUNDING FROM THE 2005 DISASTER RECOVERY INITIATIVE FLORIDA SMALL CITIES CDBG PROGRAM OF THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ALL CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS AND AMENDMENTS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE ABOVE PROGRAM; AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE THE CANCELLATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN.

*Forwarded to the full BCC by the BCC Chairperson as requested*

(Office of Community and Economic Development)

**Report:** *See Report under Agenda Item 7A, Legislative File No. 081482.*

*SPECIAL NOTE: Chairwoman Edmonson submitted a memorandum requesting that the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro waive the Board's Rules and Procedures to allow the foregoing proposed resolution to be heard at the June 3, 2008 Board meeting.*

3D

**081450 Resolution**

RESOLUTION REQUESTING AN ADMINISTRATIVE BOUNDARY MODIFICATION TO THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY ENTERPRISE ZONE AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR AN ADMINISTRATIVE BOUNDARY MODIFICATION OF THE ENTERPRISE ZONE (Office of Community and Economic Development)

*Forwarded to the full BCC by the BCC Chairperson as requested*

**Report:** *See Report under Agenda Item 7A, Legislative File No. 081482.*

*SPECIAL NOTE: Chairwoman Edmonson submitted a memorandum requesting that the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro waive the Board's Rules and Procedures to allow the foregoing proposed resolution to be heard at the May 20, 2008 Board meeting.*

3E

**081457 Resolution**

RESOLUTION CORRECTING A SCRIVENER'S ERROR IN RESOLUTION R-641-07 APPROVED BY THE MIAMI-DADE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RELATING TO THE CONTRACTING ENTITY FOR VILLAGE CARVER WITHOUT CHANGING THE EXISTING FUNDING AMOUNT; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY AGREEMENTS (Office of Community and Economic Development)

*Forwarded to the full BCC by the BCC Chairperson as requested*

**Report:** *See Report under Agenda Item 7A, Legislative File No. 081482.*

*SPECIAL NOTE: Chairwoman Edmonson submitted a memorandum requesting that the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro waive the Board's Rules and Procedures to allow the foregoing proposed resolution to be heard at the June 3, 2008 Board meeting.*

3F

**081432 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE METRO MIAMI ACTION PLAN TRUST (MMAP) ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC PLAN AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO RELEASE TO THE EIGHT PERCENT OF THE BUSINESS TAX RECEIPT REVENUES THAT ARE BEING HELD IN ESCROW BY THE OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ON BEHALF OF MMAP AS AUTHORIZED BY THE MIAMI-DADE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS DURING THE SEPTEMBER 20, 2007 BUDGET HEARING (Metro-Miami Action Plan)

*Not considered*

**Report:** *See Report under Agenda Item 7A, Legislative File No. 081482.*

3G

**081534 Resolution**

**Dennis C. Moss**

RESOLUTION DECLARING SURPLUS COUNTY-OWNED PROPERTY LOCATED 10235 SW 186TH STREET, MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FL, AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 8-4 AS IT RELATES TO THE REVIEW BY THE PLANNING ADVISORY BOARD, APPROVING A QUIT CLAIM DEED TO THE PROPERTY; APPROVING THE EXCHANGE AGREEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,400,000; APPROVING THE SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION OF RESTRICTIONS, ACCEPTING THE WARRANTY DEEDS FOR FOUR (4) RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Moss*

*Seconder: Jordan*

*Vote: 5-0*

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

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

**4 COUNTY MANAGER**

**5 COUNTY ATTORNEY**

**6 CLERK OF THE BOARD**

**081507 Report**

CLERK'S SUMMARY OF MINUTES FOR MARCH 12,2008 FROM THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE (Clerk of the Board)

*Withdrawn*

*Mover: Sorenson*

*Seconder: Jordan*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Souto*

**Report:** *During consideration of changes to today's meeting, the foregoing report was withdrawn as noted by Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks.*

**7 REPORTS**

7A

**081482 Report**

REPORT RE: SECOND REPORT ON US HUD/COUNTY  
WORKPLAN (County Manager)

*Forwarded to the full BCC by the  
BCC Chairperson as requested*

**Report:** *Responding to the inquiry by Ms. Cynthia Curry, Senior Advisor to the County Manager, whether the foregoing report would be waived to the County Commission along with 7A Supplement, Chairwoman Edmonson stated this report along with Agenda Items 3A, 3B, 3C, 3D, 3E and 3F not considered at today's meeting would be waived to the County Commission for consideration, subject to Board of County Commissioners (BCC) Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro's approval. She indicated this report and 7A Supplement would be waived to the May 20, 2008, Board meeting subject to the BCC Chairman Barreiro's approval.*

*SPECIAL NOTE: Chairwoman Edmonson submitted a memorandum requesting that the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro waive the Board's Rules and Procedures to allow the foregoing report to be heard at the May 20, 2008 Board meeting.*

7A SUPPLEMENT

**081533 Supplement**

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT RE: US HUD/COUNTY WORK  
PLAN

*Forwarded to the full BCC by the  
BCC Chairperson as requested*

(County Manager)

**Report:** *See Report under Agenda Item 7A, Legislative File No. 081482.*

*SPECIAL NOTE: Chairwoman Edmonson submitted a memorandum requesting that the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro waive the Board's Rules and Procedures to allow the foregoing supplement to be heard at the May 20, 2008 Board meeting.*

**8 ADJOURNMENT**

  
Audrey M. Edmonson, Chair

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