



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

Board of County Commissioners

Stephen P. Clark Center
Commission Chambers
111 N.W. First Street
Miami, Florida 33128

Monday, June 9, 2008
As Advertised

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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, June 9, 2008

1:00 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
~Deputy Clerk Jovel Shaw
~Deputy Clerk Zorana Gainer*

Assistant County Attorney Ferrer announced the following changes to today's (6/9) Agenda: Agenda Items 3C, 3D, and 3E were added to the agenda and a scrivener's error existed within Item 2D.

1D SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

1D1

081719 Special Presentation

PARADE OF CHAMPIONS: NFL YET CENTER "DAZZLE"
DANCE TEAM- 1ST PLACE HIP HOP NATIONAL
CHAMPIONS AND 1ST PLACE JR. ALL-STARS HIP HOP
CHAMPIONS

Presented

"REGION 2 SMASHERS" TENNIS TEAM- 2ND PLACE,
ALTAMONTE SPRINGS USTA JUNIOR TENNIS
TOURNAMENT

TRACK AND FIELD CHAMPIONS

Report: *Mr. Jack Kardys, Director, Park & Recreation Department, provided a brief presentation regarding the Parade of Champions which was comprised of the NFL's Youth Educational Town (YET) Center "DAZZLE" Dance Team; the Region 2 Smashers Tennis Team and the Track and Field Champions. Mr. Kardys noted the Department's after-school programs were for students ages 6-14 years of age, and they participated in teen sports, arts and crafts, general play and homework assistance during the program; other programs included Fit to Play and Fun for Life. He said that approximately 2,000 participants were registered per year in the after-school programs.*

Mr. Kardys noted that the NFL's YET Center Dazzle Dance Team was a year round program which met 5 days a week for girls ages 6-14. He said the team competed and performed annually at several local events including the Willis McGahee Adult Celebrity Flag Football Tournament, Commissioner Dorrin Rolle's Rolle Bowl half time show, the University of Miami's Cheerleading Competition and the Nova Southeastern Cheerleading Competition. Mr. Kardys noted that the Team was the 2008 Hip-Hop National Champion, as well as the 2008 All Star Jr. Hip-Hop Champion. Mr. Kardys acknowledged each team member present.

Mr. Kardys noted that the Tennis Team's Region 2 Smashers Program which was established in 2004, was comprised of boys and girls ages 6-18, and offered daily tennis instruction clinics, local, and out of county competitions. Mr. Kardys acknowledged each team member present.

Mr. Kardys noted that the Track and Field/Cross Country Team was the most popular of the after

school programs and 625 registered children participated in this program. He stated the program met and ran nine local track meets annually, two qualifiers and a State meet; and participated in two State Championships and one National Championship meet. Mr. Kardys acknowledged each team member present.

1E DISCUSSION MATTERS

2 COUNTY COMMISSION

2A

081650 Resolution Audrey M. Edmonson

RESOLUTION RETROACTIVELY AUTHORIZING IN-KIND SERVICES FROM THE MIAMI-DADE PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT, FOR THE MAY 3, 2008 "HAITIAN PARADE" SPONSORED BY HAITIAN AMERICAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC., A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,482.00 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE DISTRICT 3 IN-KIND RESERVE FUND

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Edmonson
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.

2B

081654 Resolution Rebeca Sosa

RESOLUTION RETROACTIVELY AUTHORIZING IN-KIND SERVICES FROM THE MIAMI-DADE PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE JUNE 12 - 15, 2008 "MIAMI SPRINGS OPTIMIST CLUB CHARITY DOLPHIN FISHING TOURNAMENT AND COMMUNITY FISH FRY" SPONSORED BY OPTIMIST CLUB OF MIAMI SPRINGS FLORIDA INC., A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,866.00 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE DISTRICT 6 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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081664 Resolution Rebeca Sosa

RESOLUTION RETROACTIVELY AUTHORIZING IN-KIND SERVICES FROM THE MIAMI-DADE PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE APRIL 23, 2008 "AMIGOS FOR KIDS BLUE RIBBON CAMPAIGN" SPONSORED BY AMIGOS TOGETHER FOR KIDS INC., A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,800.00 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE DISTRICT 6 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

081666 Resolution Rebeca Sosa

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING IN-KIND SERVICES FROM THE MIAMI-DADE PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE MAY 30-31, JUNE 1 AND JUNE 27-29, 2008 "SPECIAL SEMINARS FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND RECOVERY" SPONSORED BY NUEVO CAMINAR MINISTERIO CATOLICO, INC., A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,127.00 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE DISTRICT 6 IN-KIND RESERVE FUND

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Edmonson

Seconder: Jordan

Vote: 6-0

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

The Recreation & Cultural Affairs Committee corrected the following scrivener's error noted in the County Manager's Memorandum entitled "Requested Changes to the Recreation & Cultural Affairs Committee Agenda" that on Handwritten page 9, the memo should be addressed to the Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro.

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

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081662 Resolution

Sally A. Heyman

RESOLUTION RETROACTIVELY AUTHORIZING IN-KIND SERVICES FROM THE MIAMI-DADE PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE MAY 22, 2008 "8TH GRADE PICNIC" SPONSORED BY JOHN F. KENNEDY MIDDLE SCHOOL, A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$110.00 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE DISTRICT 4 IN-KIND RESERVE FUND

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Edmonson

Seconder: Jordan

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

081656 Resolution

Dennis C. Moss

RESOLUTION RETROACTIVELY AUTHORIZING IN-KIND SERVICES FROM THE MIAMI-DADE PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE MAY 30, 2008 "COMMUNITY FAMILY FUN" EVENT SPONSORED BY BETHEL FULL GOSPEL BAPTIST CHURCH, A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,182.00 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE DISTRICT 9 IN-KIND RESERVE FUND

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Edmonson

Seconder: Jordan

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 SUPPLEMENT

081779 Supplement

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT TO IN-KIND SERVICES REGARDING "COMMUNITY FAMILY FUN" EVENT SPONSORED BY BETHEL FULL GOSPEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Edmonson

Seconder: Jordan

Vote: 6-0

2G

081658 Resolution

Dennis C. Moss

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING IN-KIND SERVICES FROM THE MIAMI-DADE PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE AUGUST 8, 2008 "2ND ANNUAL BACK TO SCHOOL BLOCK PARTY" SPONSORED BY MT. MORIAH BAPTIST CHURCH INC., A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,611.00 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE DISTRICT 9 IN-KIND RESERVE FUND

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Edmonson

Seconder: Jordan

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 SUPPLEMENT

081781 Supplement

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT TO IN-KIND SERVICES REGARDING "2ND ANNUAL BACK TO SCHOOL BLOCK PARTY" EVENT SPONSORED BY MT. MORIAH BAPTIST CHURCH, INC.

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Edmonson

Seconder: Jordan

Vote: 6-0

3 DEPARTMENT

3A

081598 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING SIGNIFICANT MODIFICATION TO BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND PROGRAM PROJECT NO. 48 – “MIAMI METROZOO”, IDENTIFIED IN APPENDIX A TO RESOLUTION NO. R-913-04 AFTER A PUBLIC HEARING (Park & Recreation Department)

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.*

In response to Commissioner Rolle's inquiry regarding operational and maintenance costs, Mr. Jack Kardys, Director, Parks & Recreation Department, explained that the operational costs were approximately \$200,000 per year to operate the monorails and was currently a part of the revenue and expense projections within the budget. He noted that the new monorail cars came with a one year warranty. Mr. Kardys said it was anticipated that 65,000 new spectators would visit the Amazon & Beyond exhibit, and without the new monorail cars to transport visitors throughout the zoo, the current monorail system would be overloaded.

Assistant County Manager Munoz pointed out that the current monorail cars were approximately 18 years old and needed to be replaced.

Chairman Souto asked Mr. Kardys to explore the feasibility of partnering with Pucallpa, Peru's Zoo to arrange for the exchange of exotic animals between the Parque Natural De Pucallpa Zoo and Metrozoo.

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

3B

081564 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING A COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATION GRANT AGREEMENT WITH AMERICAN YOUTH SOCCER ORGANIZATION, INC (AYSO), REGION 450 FOR IMPROVEMENTS AT MILLER'S POND PARK IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$107,288 AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SAME FOR AND ON BEHALF OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY (Park & Recreation Department)

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.*

Commissioner Rolle expressed appreciation to Mr. Kardys for developing the soccer field at Oak Grove Park. He asked Mr. Kardys to increase the number of soccer events at the Oak Grove Park; to prepare the field and to schedule a soccer event between North Dade and South Dade soccer teams.

Mr. Kardys informed Commissioner Rolle that MDPR staff looked at the soccer field on Friday (6/6) and discovered that they may be able to reposition the entire field from east to west and completely remove the baseball field as well as upgrade the irrigation system.

Commissioner Rolle urged Mr. Kardys to prepare the soccer field for competitions.

With regard to Chairman Souto's previous requests for Mr. Kardys to develop an international World Cup type soccer event to be held in Miami-Dade County, Assistant County Manager Munoz noted that the Sports Commission was developing a large international soccer tournament to be held here in Miami-Dade County.

Mr. Kardys pointed out that approximately a month ago a meeting was held with all of Miami-Dade County's soccer clubs regarding creating a Junior World Cup Tournament which would involve international games. He noted he would obtain further information regarding this proposal.

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

3C

081820 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT NUMBER 6 (SIX) TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT (PSA) WITH FISHER DACHS ASSOCIATES INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$60,000 TO PROVIDE AN INCREASE IN THE TOTAL MAXIMUM COMPENSATION LIMIT FOR THE PROVISION OF THEATER PLANNING CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE SOUTH MIAMI-DADE CULTURAL ARTS CENTER AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SAME FOR AND ON BEHALF OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY (Cultural Affairs Council)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Sorenson

Seconder: Moss

Vote: 6-0

Report: *Commissioner Sorenson asked Mr. Michael Spring, Director, Cultural Affairs Department, to explain the intent of the foregoing proposed resolution and Agenda Items: 3D and 3E.*

Mr. Spring explained that a new cultural center was being constructed in South Miami-Dade County. He noted that the contractor had not completed the project on time, and the County has begun assessing liquidated damages in the amount of approximately \$3,000 daily. Mr. Spring said that one of the consequences of delivering the project late was that three consultants, the architect, feeder consultant and the acoustical consultant's contract needed to be extended until the project was completed. Mr. Spring pointed out that sufficient funds were available from liquidated damages to pay for the contract extensions. He said this resolution and agenda items 3D and 3E were the extensions that would allow the job to be managed by the consultants throughout the remainder of the contract.

In response to Commissioner Sorenson's inquiry whether any taxpayers' money would be used to cover cost-overruns, Mr. Spring explained that the cost overruns were being paid by the contractor via liquidated damages. He further explained that the County held 10% of the construction contract as a retainer and the penalty would be taken from the 10% that was being held.

Mr. Spring reported that the South Miami-Dade Cultural Arts Center (CAC) would be substantially completed by October 22, 2008; opening activities should begin approximately early 2009 with a full season in 2009 or 2010.

Commissioner Moss asked Mr. Spring to explain

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whether or not the South Miami-Dade CAC process had the same issues as the Adrienne Arsht Performing Arts Center (PAC) during its construction.

Mr. Spring explained that the South Miami-Dade CAC was being closely managed and that less than 5% of the contingency funds had been spent; and the project was currently 75% complete. He said the contractor was clearly at fault for the delays in completing the project and consequently was paying the penalty. Mr. Spring pointed out that the difference between this project and the PAC was that a larger amount had to be paid to complete the PAC and the County was at fault for delays of the project.

Commissioner Moss asked Mr. Spring to provide committee members with a monthly progress report on the South Miami-Dade CAC.

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

3D

081824 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT NUMBER 5 (FIVE) TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH ARTEC CONSULTANTS INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$60,000 TO PROVIDE AN INCREASE IN THE TOTAL MAXIMUM COMPENSATION LIMIT FOR THE PROVISION OF ACOUSTICAL AND SOUND AND COMMUNICATIONS CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE SOUTH MIAMI-DADE CULTURAL ARTS CENTER AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SAME FOR AND ON BEHALF OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY (Cultural Affairs Council)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Sorenson

Secunder: Moss

Vote: 6-0

3E

081849 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT NUMBER 2 (TWO) TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH ARQUITECTONICA INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$173,500 TO PROVIDE AN INCREASE IN THE TOTAL MAXIMUM COMPENSATION LIMIT FOR THE PROVISION OF ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE SOUTH MIAMI-DADE CULTURAL ARTS CENTER AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SAME FOR AND ON BEHALF OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND TO EXERCISE THE CANCELLATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN (Cultural Affairs Council)

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

4 COUNTY MANAGER

4A

081724 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FINAL MEDIATED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT IN REFERENCE TO THE ESTATE OF DONALD R. BERGMAN, BROWARD COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT CASE NO. 07-5558(61) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$140,000 TO MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND AUTHORIZING MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE AGREEMENT (County Manager, County Attorney)

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.

5 COUNTY ATTORNEY

6 CLERK OF THE BOARD

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6A

081647 Report

CLERK'S SUMMARY OF MEETING MINUTES FOR
RECREATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
MEETING(S): MAY 12, 2008 (Clerk of the Board)

Approved
Mover: Moss
Seconder: Edmonson
Vote: 6-0

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

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

7 REPORTS

7A

081648 Report

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

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

Report: *Mr. Larry Wilker, President, Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts (PAC), provided a status report regarding the PAC. He reported that attendance had improved during this fiscal year at approximately 70% compared to last year's 41%. Mr. Wilker said the PAC was slightly under budget due to timing differences; however he noted it was anticipated that by year's end the budget would be balanced. During the month of May, Mr. Wilker noted the The Florida Grand Opera and Avenue Q had a number of sold out performances. He said programming was a risk during the summer and that staff was working hard to make summer programming successful. Mr. Wilker noted the PAC staff expected to return a significant amount of money to the County and that they were under budget in regards to occupancy costs due to a number of actions taken several months ago. He advised that the Knight Foundation received 1,600 applications for its Arts Initiative and would award \$20,000,000 in endowment grants; 75 of the applicants were asked to submit proposals, including the PAC, which was asked to submit 4 proposals into the competition. Mr. Wilker noted the programs submitted would include the gospel program, the proposed hemisphere festival, the late night series and the Jazz and Education series. He said that 500,000 brochures had been distributed throughout the County and paid advertisements through local media had begun.*

Mr. Wilker pointed out that summer programming included the following performances: Summer Shorts, Celia: The Life and Music of Celia Cruz, Miami Libre and Slava's Snow Show. He reported that the PAC was awarded the National Award of Excellence from the Very Special Arts Program of Florida which was a national organization whose mission was to create a society where people with disabilities could learn through and participate in and enjoy the arts. Mr. Wilker said the PAC was currently hosting a student exhibit sponsored by Commissioner Martinez; Go Diego Go and the Summer Concert Series.

In response to Commissioner Moss' inquiry

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regarding Summer Shorts performances, Mr. Wilker explained that the Summer Shorts was a project that invited playwrights to submit 10 minute plays; and he was pleasantly surprised with the quality of the plays as well as the acting.

Commissioner Moss asked Mr. Wilker to ensure that issues relating to the PAC and the surrounding area were addressed before commencement of the United States Conference of Mayors (June 20 through 24, 2008).

7B

081748 Report

THE FEASIBILITY STUDY OF REINSTATING THE ORANGE BLOSSOM CLASSIC FOOTBALL GAME IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY (County Manager)

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

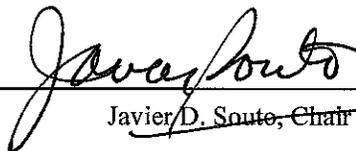
Report: Assistant County Attorney Ferrer read the foregoing proposed report into the record.

Commissioner Moss asked committee members to support the Miami Football Classic this year which involved Howard University and Bethune Cookman College. He noted that this was a good opportunity to involve Florida A and M University and could potentially evolve into the Orange Blossom Classic.

Assistant County Manager Munoz noted that he worked with the Sports Commission and that Commissioner Rolle had attended the last Sports Commission Meeting. He noted the following games were scheduled for the Miami Football Classic: September 27, 2008 Howard University versus Savannah State and next year Howard University versus Bethune Cookman College.

8 ADJOURNMENT

Report: There being no further business to come before the Committee, the Recreation and Cultural Affairs Committee meeting was adjourned at 1:56 p.m.


Javier D. Souto, Chair