

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

**Board of County Commissioners**

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Commission Chambers  
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Miami, Florida 33128

Tuesday, July 8, 2008  
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## 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 D. Souto (10)

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Tuesday, July 8, 2008

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  
2:22 p.m.*

#### 1B PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**1C**      **ROLL CALL**

**Report:** *The following staff members were present: Special Assistant to the County Manager Jennifer Glazer-Moon; Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty; and Deputy Clerks Jovel Shaw 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the Budget and Finance Committee Agenda," the following additional changes had been requested: that Agenda Item 2D be withdrawn; that Agenda Item 2B be deferred to September 9, 2008; and that Commissioner Sosa be listed as a co-sponsor to Agenda Item 2A.*

*Pursuant to Chairman Martinez's inquiry regarding the deferral of Agenda Item 2B, Assistant County Attorney McCarty advised Agenda Item 2B would be tabled if it was deferred for a third time on September 9, 2008.*

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

**1D**      **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1D1

082099 Discussion Item

Carlos A. Gimenez

DISCUSSION RE: UPCOMING BUDGET PROCESS

*Presented*

**Report:** *Commissioner Gimenez pointed out the County Commission had amended some ordinances and changed the budget process, and the Budget and Finance Committee would hold a series of meetings in August 2008. He noted, for the record, the County Mayor was proposing a Countywide Operating millage rate that would require 9 votes to exceed the State mandated limit. He clarified he would vote against the proposed Countywide Operating millage rate. Commissioner Gimenez expressed concern that this proposed millage rate would create two classes of citizens between the citizens in cities and in the unincorporated municipal service area (UMSA). He noted the Commission would set the trim notice on July 17, 2008, and the Commission should determine whether nine commissioners would support the proposed millage rate.*

*Special Assistant to the County Manager Jennifer Glazer-Moon noted nine commissioners would need to approve the proposed Countywide Operating millage rate at the September 2008 Budget Hearings, and a majority of the Commission needed to approve the proposed millage rate to set the trim notice on July 17, 2008. She pointed out the proposed Countywide Operating millage rate exceeded the maximum defined millage rate; however, the State had not set a limit on the Countywide Operating millage rate. She clarified the proposed millage rate required approval by a two-thirds majority vote of the Commission.*

*Chairman Martinez urged Special Assistant Glazer-Moon to meet with each Commissioner to determine whether nine of them would approve the proposed Countywide Operating millage rate. He noted the County would need an alternative budget if the Commission did not approve the proposed millage rate.*

*Special Assistant Glazer-Moon pointed out the County Mayor's proposed budget detailed \$90 million of additional reductions that were not proposed, but that the Commission could consider.*

*Commissioner Sosa requested this discussion regarding the budget focus on discussing changes*

to the Mayor's proposed budget as opposed to discussing the budget process. She noted she had met with the City of Coral Gables, the City of Miami, and the City of Hialeah and they expressed concern regarding the Mayor's proposed Countywide Operating millage rate. She noted the County should do everything possible to not contribute to financial problems by terminating any employees.

In response to Chairman Martinez's request for clarification, Commissioner Sosa clarified she would not support the proposed Countywide Operating millage rate.

Commissioner Sorenson noted the County should allow maximum flexibility throughout the budget process.

Responding to Commissioner Sorenson's question regarding the feasibility of the County to not terminate a single employee if the Commission did not approve the proposed Countywide Operating millage rate, Special Assistant Glazer-Moon noted the County Administration would do its best to place every employee that would be impacted by layoffs in another position with the County. She stated the County could not place every employee in another position if the County continued making significant reductions to the proposed budget.

Commissioner Sorenson noted her constituents were requesting County services.

Discussion ensued among Committee members regarding the dates the Committee would meet in August 2008 to review the budget.

Responding to Commissioner Gimenez's concern regarding the proposed Countywide Operating millage rate, Special Assistant Glazer-Moon noted certain activities funded by the Fire Rescue Service District Operating millage rate were transferred to the Countywide Operating millage rate because those activities were provided on a countywide basis.

Commissioner Gimenez noted none of the municipal fire departments used the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue's communication system.

Special Assistant Glazer-Moon explained the County had to have a communication system available countywide, pursuant to the County's Home Rule Charter. She noted a Fire District tax

*payer should not subsidize activities that were provided to the entire County.*

*Commissioner Gimenez noted the County needed to determine the percentage of the time that the municipal fire departments were using the available communication system. He questioned the amount of money that was transferred to the Countywide Operations in the Mayor's proposed budget.*

*Special Assistant Glazer-Moon emphasized the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue (MDFR) communication system was Countywide Operations because the MDFR provided countywide services and the communication system covered the entire County.*

*Commissioner Gimenez expressed concern that the proposed Countywide Operations millage rate would double tax citizens in municipalities that had fire departments.*

*Special Assistant Glazer-Moon noted the MDFR services that would be funded through the proposed Countywide Operations millage rate were similar to the specialized police services and the activities of sheriffs and local patrols. She noted the County Administration ensured all departments were treated the same, particularly police and fire communications, and the County Administration was careful to not create a double taxation issue. Special Assistant Glazer-Moon further explained MDFR implemented a new UHF system that was available to serve countywide.*

*Commissioner Gimenez asked Special Assistant Glazer-Moon to provide him with a detailed report of the proposed Fire Rescue communications to be funded from the Countywide millage for fiscal year 2008-09, and to meet with him to discuss this report.*

*Commissioner Sorenson questioned how MDFR communicated with municipalities if back up was needed.*

*Mr. Charles Anderson, Commission Auditor, Office of the Commission Auditor (OCA), expressed appreciation to Ms. Jennifer Glazer-Moon, Director, Office of Strategic Business Management (OSBM), for OSBM assistance in the budget process thus far. He noted the OCA had hired four budget analysts since January 2008 and four auditors. He explained, pursuant to Ordinance 07-45, the OCA had held two revenue*

estimating conferences and another one was scheduled. He pointed out Ordinance 08-08 outlined the role of the OCA in the budget process. Mr. Anderson noted the OCA had attended all of the resource allocation meetings, and had worked with OSBM to ask and receive answers to their questions. He explained for the next few weeks the OCA would conduct a macro (revenue and economic analysis and forecasting review, and expenditure analysis and forecasting review) and a micro (operating budget review and analysis, and capital budget review and analysis) review of the budget. He noted he instituted a budget review committee to use all OCA resources to respond to the County Commission. Mr. Anderson pointed out that auditors, analysts, and budget personnel were assigned to each County department to maximize efficiency. He explained the Budget and Finance Committee should meet to review the budget for all County departments before the first County Commission Budget Hearing, as well as meet between the first and second budget hearings to discuss any proposed changes and recommendations.

Following further discussion regarding the schedule for Budget and Finance Committee Budget Workshops, Chairman Martinez noted the other Committees of the County Commission needed to provide the Budget and Finance Committee their budget recommendations. He asked Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty to ensure that advertisements for the upcoming budget workshops of the Budget and Finance Committee included language to indicate that the workshops could be completed earlier than anticipated, which would mean that any remaining meetings scheduled after the process was completed would be canceled.

## 2 COUNTY COMMISSION

2A

**081880 Resolution** **Bruno A. Barreiro,**  
**Joe A. Martinez, Rebeca Sosa, Sen. Javier D. Souto, Jose**  
**"Pepe" Diaz, Audrey M. Edmonson, Barbara J. Jordan,**  
**Dennis C. Moss**

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE STATE ROAD  
DESIGNATION OF S.W. 27TH AVENUE FROM FLAGLER  
STREET TO S.W. 5TH STREET AS "RAQUEL  
REGALADO AVENUE"

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable  
recommendation*

*Mover: Sosa*

*Seconder: Sorenson*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

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

*Commissioner Souto and Chairman Martinez  
asked that they be listed as co-sponsors.*

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

2B

**081258 Ordinance** **Jose "Pepe" Diaz**

ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE TIME OF  
TERMINATION OF THE CONE OF SILENCE AMENDING  
SECTION 2-11.1(T) OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE  
COUNTY, FLORIDA; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY,  
INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

*Deferred to September 9, 2008*

*Mover: Sorenson*

*Seconder: Gimenez*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

2C

**082004 Resolution****Jose "Pepe" Diaz**

RESOLUTION RETROACTIVELY AUTHORIZING IN-KIND SERVICES FROM THE MIAMI-DADE PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT, MIAMI-DADE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE MIAMI DADE FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT, FOR THE JULY 20, 2008 "CHRISTMAS IN JULY" SPONSORED BY KIDS AND FAMILIES FOUNDATION INC., A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$17,179.00 TO BE FUNDED IN PART FROM THE DISTRICT 12 IN-KIND RESERVE FUND, AND IN PART FROM THE NON-AD VALOREM PORTION OF THE FIRE RESCUE DISTRICT BUDGET

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Gimenez*

*Seconder: Martinez*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

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

*Commissioner Sorenson noted the County Manager was proposing that the County not budget for in-kind services in fiscal year 2008-09. She noted the Commission would have to use discretionary funds for events, if the Commission accepted the County Manager's budget proposal.*

*Following comments by Commissioner Sosa in support of the commissioners using discretionary reserve funds as opposed to in-kind service funds, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

2D

**081998 Resolution****Audrey M. Edmonson**

RESOLUTION URGING THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD TO IMPLEMENT A UNIFORM STANDARD FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SCHOOL BOARD'S VOTER REGISTRATION PROGRAM

*Withdrawn*

*Mover: Sorenson*

*Seconder: Gimenez*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

2E

## 082008 Resolution

Carlos A. Gimenez

RESOLUTION RETROACTIVELY AUTHORIZING IN-KIND SERVICES FROM THE MIAMI-DADE PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT, THE MIAMI-DADE POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND THE MIAMI DADE FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT FOR THE AUGUST 3, 2008 "HUNTINGTON'S DISEASE TRIATHLON" SPONSORED BY HUNTINGTON'S DISEASE SOCIETY OF AMERICA INC., A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$10,448.00 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 DISTRICT BUDGET

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

2F

## 082028 Resolution

Carlos A. Gimenez,

Sally A. Heyman, Dennis C. Moss, Rebeca Sosa

RESOLUTION JOINING THE CITY OF MIAMI AND APPROVING THE STATE ROAD DESIGNATION OF THAT PORTION OF STATE ROAD 976/S.W. 40TH STREET FROM HIBISCUS STREET TO OHIO STREET AS "WILL JAMES JOHNSON ROAD"

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

2G

## 082041 Resolution

Carlos A. Gimenez,

Audrey M. Edmonson

RESOLUTION URGING THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD TO ADOPT A BOARD RULE MANDATING VOTER'S REGISTRATION DRIVE PROGRAMS IN ALL HIGH SCHOOLS AT LEAST ANNUALLY

*Withdrawn*

**Report:** *See Report Under Agenda Item 2G AMENDED, Legislative File No. 082218.*

2G AMENDED

082218 Resolution

Carlos A. Gimenez,

Audrey M. Edmonson, Dorrin D. Rolle

RESOLUTION URGING THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD TO ADOPT A BOARD RULE MANDATING UNIFORM AND EQUITABLE VOTER'S REGISTRATION DRIVE PROGRAMS IN ALL HIGH SCHOOLS AT LEAST ANNUALLY [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 082041]

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

*Mover: Gimenez*

*Seconder: Martinez*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record. He advised that Commissioner Edmonson had requested to be listed as a co-sponsor.*

*Commissioner Gimenez asked that this proposed resolution be amended to incorporate the language regarding "implement a uniform standard" from Agenda Item 2D, Legislative File No. 081998.*

*In response to Commissioner Sosa's inquiry regarding the fiscal impact of this proposed resolution, Mr. Lester Sola, Supervisor of Elections, Elections Department, noted the Elections Department provided blank voter registration applications to the School Board of Miami-Dade County at no cost to the County; the State of Florida provided applications to the County. He clarified this proposed resolution would require the School Board of Miami-Dade County to have a formal policy to distribute the voter registration applications and to provide all high school seniors the same opportunity to fill out the forms.*

*Hearing no other questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on this proposed resolution as amended to incorporate the language regarding "implement a uniform standard" from Agenda Item 2D, Legislative File No. 081998.*

2H

## 081956 Resolution

Sally A. Heyman

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO INCLUDE LANGUAGE IN SOLICITATIONS WITH A VALUE OF OVER FIVE MILLION DOLLARS PERMITTING THE COUNTY TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE TOP TWO PROPOSERS TO A SOLICITATION

*Deferred to no date certain**Mover: Gimenez**Secunder: Sorenson**Vote: 5-0**Absent: Diaz*

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

*Commissioner Gimenez noted Commissioner Jordan and he were working on legislation that included the intent of this proposed resolution. He suggested Commissioner Jordan and he hold a Government-in-the-Sunshine Meeting with Commissioner Heyman to discuss including the intent of this proposed resolution in their proposal. He spoke in support of deferring this proposed resolution.*

*Commissioner Sorenson requested Commissioner Gimenez consider in his legislation with Commissioner Jordan the existing local preference provisions and the criteria for when the County Manager would negotiate.*

*Chairman Martinez asked the County Attorney to ensure that the County Manager's name be deleted from future legislation and be replaced with the Mayor to reflect the recent change in the structure of County government.*

*Commissioner Sosa expressed concern that the language in this proposed resolution limited the County Mayor or his designee to negotiate with two firms. She expressed concern that negotiating with companies would allow the County Mayor or his designee to favor one company over another. She asked Assistant County Attorney McCarty to prepare an appropriate ordinance that addressed subjectivity when negotiating with the top ranked proposers to a solicitation.*

*Responding to Chairman Martinez's question regarding technical services and the importance of quality, Commissioner Gimenez clarified Commissioner Jordan and he were emphasizing value, which was the best combination of price and quality.*

*Hearing no other questions or comments the*

*Committee proceeded to vote to defer this proposed resolution to no date certain.*

2I

**081769 Resolution** **Barbara J. Jordan**  
RESOLUTION DECLARING TWO 2001 BLUEBIRD BUSES AND ONE 2001 DODGE PICK-UP SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING THEIR DONATION TO THE CITY OF OPA-LOCKA

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

2J

**082024 Resolution** **Dennis C. Moss**  
RESOLUTION DECLARING ONE LOT OF MISCELLANEOUS OFFICE FURNISHINGS SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING ITS DONATION TO THE CITY OF MIAMI

*Withdrawn*

**Report:** *See Report Under Agenda Item 2J SUB, Legislative File No. 082151.*

2J SUB

**082151 Resolution** **Dennis C. Moss**  
RESOLUTION DECLARING ONE LOT OF MISCELLANEOUS OFFICE FURNISHINGS SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING ITS DONATION TO THE CITY OF MIAMI [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 082024]

*Forwarded to the BCC by the BCC Chairperson with a favorable recommendation*  
*Mover: Sorenson*  
*Seconder: Sosa*  
*Vote: 5-0*  
*Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *Chairman Martinez noted he would prepare a memorandum requesting that Chairman Barreiro waive the Board's Rules and Procedures to allow this proposed resolution to be considered at the July 17, 2008, County Commission Meeting.*

2K

**081890 Resolution** **Rebeca Sosa**  
RESOLUTION URGING THE SECRETARY OF INTERIOR TO DESIGNATE THE CURTISS MANSION IN MIAMI SPRINGS, FLORIDA AS A NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK BECAUSE OF ITS CONNECTION WITH THE AMERICAN AERONAUTICAL PIONEER GLENN CURTISS

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

2L

081902 Resolution

Rebeca Sosa,

Dennis C. Moss, Dorrin D. Rolle

RESOLUTION DIRECTING COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS  
DESIGNEE TO IDENTIFY LONG TERM PUBLIC WORKS  
PROJECTS WITH A COMPLETION DATE THAT MAY BE  
ACCELERATED AND TO BRING CONTRACT  
MODIFICATIONS TO THE BOARD SHORTENING THE  
CONSTRUCTION TIMELINE ON THOSE PROJECTS

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable  
recommendation*

*Mover: Sosa*

*Seconder: Sorenson*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

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

*Commissioner Gimenez questioned how this  
proposed resolution coincided with Agenda Item  
2W, Legislative File No. 081955, from the July 8,  
2008, Governmental Operations and Environment  
Committee (GOEC) Agenda.*

*Special Assistant to the County Manager Jennifer  
Glazer-Moon noted several projects in this  
proposed resolution and the GOEC item were the  
same, and, pursuant to this proposed resolution,  
the County Mayor would report on some of the  
long term Public Works projects that were in the  
economic stimulus package.*

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

2M

**081916 Resolution** **Rebeca Sosa,**  
**Carlos A. Gimenez, Joe A. Martinez, Sen. Javier D. Souto,**  
**Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Dennis C. Moss, Dorrin D. Rolle**  
 RESOLUTION URGING THE U.S. CONGRESS AND THE  
 FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO PASS LEGISLATION  
 CREATING A SILVER ALERT PROGRAM FOR MISSING  
 ELDERLY PERSONS

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

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

*Commissioner Sosa noted the proposed silver alert  
 program for missing elderly persons would have  
 the same impact as the Amber alert for missing  
 children.*

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

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

2N

**082031 Resolution** **Rebeca Sosa**  
 RESOLUTION DIRECTING THAT TITLES OF  
 ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS INDICATE IF  
 AGENDA ITEM INVOLVES PEOPLE'S  
 TRANSPORTATION PLAN FUNDS OR BUILDING  
 BETTER COMMUNITIES GENERAL OBLIGATION  
 BOND FUNDS

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

2O

**082029 Resolution** **Rebeca Sosa,**  
**Dorrin D. Rolle**  
 RESOLUTION URGING CONGRESS TO REAUTHORIZE  
 THE FEDERAL SAFETEA-LU TRANSPORTATION  
 SPENDING PACKAGE IN 2009 WITH A  
 SUBSTANTIALLY HIGHER FUNDING AUTHORIZATION  
 THAN WAS INCLUDED IN THE 2005 SAFETEA-LU  
 PACKAGE; DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO  
 PREPARE A REPORT FROM WHICH THE BOARD CAN  
 PRIORITIZE THE COUNTY'S FEDERAL  
 TRANSPORTATION FUNDING PROJECTS AND  
 DEVELOP A STRATEGY FOR MAXIMIZING COUNTY  
 FUNDING FROM THE 2009 REAUTHORIZATION OF  
 SAFETEA-LU

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

2P

082104 Resolution

Carlos A. Gimenez

RESOLUTION REQUIRING COUNTY VEHICLES TO BE  
TURNED OFF WHEN UNATTENDED, EXCEPT IN  
EMERGENCIES OR AS OTHERWISE MAY BE  
NECESSARY FOR EFFICIENT AND SAFE OPERATION

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable  
recommendation*

*Mover: Gimenez*

*Secunder: Sorenson*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

**3 DEPARTMENTS**

3A

**081983 Ordinance**

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING LOAN IN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$46,000,000 FROM SUNSHINE STATE GOVERNMENTAL FINANCING COMMISSION FOR PURPOSE OF PAYING OR REIMBURSING COST OF CERTAIN CAPITAL ASSETS AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH TRUST; PROVIDING THAT SUCH LOAN SHALL BE SECURED BY COVENANT TO BUDGET AND APPROPRIATE FROM LEGALLY AVAILABLE NON-AD VALOREM REVENUES OF THE COUNTY; AUTHORIZING FINANCE DIRECTOR, AS MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO APPROVE FINAL DETAILS OF LOAN WITHIN CERTAIN PARAMETERS; APPROVING FORM AND EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF RELATED LOAN AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING CERTAIN OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH LOAN; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY AND EFFECTIVE DATE (Finance Department)

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

*Mover: Sorenson*

*Seconder: Souto*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

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

*Commissioner Sosa questioned the liability of the County in this proposed ordinance.*

*Ms. Rachel Baum, Director, Finance Department, noted the County was liable to budget and to appropriate from non-ad-valorem revenues the funds necessary to make the debt-service payments.*

*In response to Commissioner Sosa's request for clarification of the language on handwritten page 22, in Article II Section 2.01.(h)(1) regarding the Governmental Unit modifying or amending Exhibit A, Ms. Baum clarified a project that was initially funded may change, and this provision would allow the County to substitute a similar project.*

*Commissioner Sosa questioned whether the County Mayor had included the debt-service payment and a funding source for this proposal in his proposed budget for fiscal year 2008-09. She expressed concern that the five percent interest rate limit was high.*

*Special Assistant to the County Manager Jennifer Glazer-Moon noted the \$45 million Public Health Trust project was in the adopted budget for fiscal year 2007-08, and this proposed ordinance would authorize the County Administration to issue the*

loan. She pointed out the debt-service payment was included in the Mayor's proposed budget for fiscal year 2008-09.

Following further discussion among Commissioner Sosa, Special Assistant Glazer-Moon, and Ms. Baum regarding government revenues and the possible interest rate of the loan, Commissioner Sosa questioned whether the Public Health Trust (PHT) had a plan detailing the projects that would be constructed, the timeline and location for these projects, and the first year expenses.

Mr. Frank Barrett, Chief Financial Officer, PHT, explained the PHT had \$96 million of identified capital priorities. He noted the funds for this proposed ordinance were funds from the PHT budget for fiscal year 2007-08. He pointed out the PHT had a plan in place for capital improvement projects and the PHT Board had reviewed the plan and the PHT Board would select the priorities that would receive the funds in this proposed ordinance.

Commissioner Souto pointed out the County's Home Rule Charter designated Jackson Memorial Hospital as the community hospital in the County and obligated the Commission to provide medical care to residents. He questioned whether this proposed ordinance included enough funding for MRI (Magnetic Resonance Imaging) machines. He emphasized the importance of the County not neglecting the PHT and Jackson Memorial Hospital.

Commissioner Gimenez noted the County needed to ensure some Sunshine State Loan money was left for the future. He asked Special Assistant Glazer-Moon to provide him with a report regarding the ratio of the total amount of the general fund to the amount of the debt-service payments made from the general fund, and to detail in the report when specific debt service payments would stop. He asked that this information be provided to him before the upcoming Budget and Finance Committee Budget Workshops.

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

Chairman Martinez noted he would prepare a memorandum requesting that Chairman Barreiro waive the Board's Rules and Procedures to allow

*this proposed resolution to be considered at the  
July 17, 2008, County Commission Meeting.*

3B

**082089 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING RESOLUTION NO. R-144-03 RELATING TO MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, SPECIAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2003A (JUVENILE COURTHOUSE PROJECT) AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, SPECIAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2003B (JUVENILE COURTHOUSE PROJECT) TO PROVIDE, AMONG OTHER THINGS, FOR ADDITIONAL INTEREST RATE MODES WITH RESPECT TO SERIES 2003B BONDS; DELEGATING TO FINANCE DIRECTOR, AS MAYOR'S DESIGNEE, AUTHORITY TO SECURE CREDIT AND LIQUIDITY FACILITIES, IF ANY, FOLLOWING CONVERSION OF INTEREST RATE MODES WITH RESPECT TO SERIES 2003B BONDS; PROVIDING THAT NO SERIES 2003B BONDS MAY BE CONVERTED TO AUCTION RATE MODE; APPROVING FORMS OF AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN DOCUMENTS; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND EFFECTIVE DATE (Finance Department)

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

*Mover: Sosa*

*Seconder: Sorenson*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

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

*Commissioner Gimenez expressed concern that the bonds in this proposed resolution were issued five years ago. He questioned the status of the Juvenile Courthouse Project.*

*Ms. Rachel Baum, Director, Finance Department, noted the County was investing the unspent proceeds in tax-exempt securities.*

*Special Assistant to the County Manager Jennifer Glazer-Moon clarified the County issued the special obligation bonds, series 2003A before the County needed the cash. These bonds were issued before Article V Provision 7 was implemented, and the County needed to obligate the funds, she explained.*

*Ms. Wendi Norris, Director, General Services Administration, explained that the County would finish 100 percent of the construction drawings at the end of 2008, that the County would issue a Request for Proposals for construction in March or April 2009, and that the County Administration would present a recommendation of award to the County Commission in September or October 2009.*

*Responding to Commissioner Gimenez's inquiry*

regarding the amount of funds the County still needed for the Juvenile Courthouse Project, Special Assistant Glazer-Moon noted the County would still have to issue \$60-70 million of bonds to complete the project.

Following further discussion between Chairman Martinez and Ms. Baum regarding the interest rate mode of the bonds in this proposed resolution, the Committee proceeded to vote.

Chairman Martinez noted he would prepare a memorandum requesting that Chairman Barreiro waive the Board's Rules and Procedures to allow this proposed resolution to be considered at the July 17, 2008, County Commission Meeting.

3C

**081970 Bid Awards**

CONTRACT AWARD RECOMMENDATION FOR DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW FLEET SHOP 1 MAINTENANCE/OFFICE/PARKING FACILITY- PROJECT NO. A07-GSA-03; CONTRACT NO. W20019, TO WOLFBERG/ALVAREZ AND PARTNERS, INC. PROJECT LOCATION: SHOP 1, 2690 NW 7TH AVENUE, MIAMI, FL 33127 (General Services Administration Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Gimenez*

*Second: Sorenson*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

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

*Chairman Martinez questioned the number of Metrorail stations the County used for parking.*

*Ms. Wendi Norris, Director, General Services Administration noted Earlington Heights was the only Metrorail station that the County used for parking.*

*He expressed concern regarding the Get Ready facilities at Metrorail stations not being used.*

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

3D

**081971 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)

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

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

*Chairman Martinez expressed concern that the emergency contract in Item 3.1: Emphasys Computer Solutions Re-exam Processing was being presented to be ratified by the County Commission nearly one year after it was awarded.*

*Responding to Chairman Martinez's inquiry regarding Item 4.2: Vehicle Rental Services and the rental of vehicles for special events, Ms. Wendi Norris, Director, General Services Administration (GSA), explained GSA, on behalf of County departments rented the vehicles for special uses.*

*In response to Chairman Martinez's inquiry regarding Item 2.2: Lightning Prediction and Warning Systems requiring a system that could send radio signals covering wide geographical areas, Ms. Miriam Singer, Director, Procurement Management Department, explained the Park and Recreation Department presented specific requirements for this system to the Procurement Management Department. She noted the recommended vendor was the only vendor that provided a system that could cover a large enough area. She noted of the two other sources of lightning protections and warning systems one offered a limited two mile radius, and the other was only for airport systems and airport properties.*

*Commissioner Gimenez questioned what would be the use of the radio.*

*Ms. Singer explained the radio was for the size of the area the detector would transmit to be able to detect that a lightning strike was eminent.*

*Responding to Commissioner Gimenez's inquiry regarding the area that the radio in this proposal would cover, Ms. Singer noted the radio would*

cover a 40 mile radius.

*Ms. Alison Diego, Assistant Director, Park and Recreation Department, clarified this proposed warning system would emit a warning signal when lightning was 1.5 miles away, and it was scanning 40 miles away for lightning.*

*Chairman Martinez expressed concern that Item 2.2 was narrowed down for one company.*

*Following further discussion, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

*Chairman Martinez noted he would prepare a memorandum requesting that Chairman Barreiro waive the Board's Rules and Procedures to allow this proposed resolution to be considered at the July 17, 2008, County Commission Meeting.*

3E

**081972 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)

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

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

*Commissioner Sosa requested clarification of the Surtax funds that would be part of the proposed \$20,000 allocation to Metro-Miami Action Plan (MMAP) in Item 4.2: Commercial Off-the-Shelf Software, on handwritten page 22.*

*Special Assistant to the County Manager Jennifer Glazer-Moon noted the Surtax would be the housing surtax. She explained that the administrative component of the MMAP budget included General Funds and Surtax funds..*

*Commissioner Sosa requested Item 4.2 be bifurcated. She expressed discontent regarding the report she received in response to her request for a report regarding the creation of MMAP, the yearly revenues and income of MMAP, and the details of MMAP expenditures.*

*Discussion ensued among Commissioner Gimenez, Mr. Amir Ali, Library Budget & Procurement Coordinator, Miami-Dade Library, and Mr. Angel Petisco, Interim Director, Enterprise Technology Services Department, regarding the reason the County Library System needed \$3.2 million for commercial off-the-wall software and regarding the amount of the total contract in Item 4.2 that would be spent on training.*

*In response to Commissioner Sorenson's request for an explanation of the offer that was a "no bid" in Item 1.1: Liquid Chlorine in Rail Cars, on handwritten page eight, Ms. Miriam Singer, Director, Procurement Management Department, explained a firm would make a "no bid" when it wanted to maintain its status as a competitor, but did not want to make an offer on that contract.*

*It was moved by Commissioner Sosa that this*

*proposed resolution be bifurcated to remove Item 4.2: Commercial Off-the-Shelf Software. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Sorenson, and upon being put to a vote, passed by a vote of 5-0 (Commissioner Diaz was absent).*

*It was moved by Commissioner Sosa that this proposed resolution be forwarded to the County Commission with a favorable recommendation, as bifurcated to remove Item 4.2. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Souto, and upon being put to a vote, passed by a vote of 5-0 (Commissioner Diaz was absent).*

*It was moved by Commissioner Sorenson that Item 4.2: Commercial Off-the-Shelf Software be forwarded to the County Commission with a favorable recommendation. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Souto, and upon being put to a vote, passed by a vote of 4-1 (Commissioner Sosa voted "No"; Commissioner Diaz was absent).*

*Chairman Martinez noted he would prepare a memorandum requesting that Chairman Barreiro waive the Board's Rules and Procedures to allow this proposed resolution to be considered at the July 17, 2008, County Commission Meeting.*

3F

**082016 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF TWO COMPETITIVE CONTRACTS, WITH AUTHORITY TO EXERCISE OPTIONS-TO-RENEW ESTABLISHED THEREUNDER, FOR THE PURCHASE OF GOODS AND SERVICES (Procurement Management Department)

*Withdrawn*

**Report:** See Report Under Agenda Item 3F AMENDED, Legislative File No. 082201.

3F AMENDED

**082201 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF TWO COMPETITIVE CONTRACTS, WITH AUTHORITY TO EXERCISE OPTIONS-TO-RENEW ESTABLISHED THEREUNDER, FOR THE PURCHASE OF GOODS AND SERVICES (SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NUMBER 082016) (Procurement Management Department)

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

*Mover: Sosa*

*Secorder: Gimenez*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

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

*Regarding Item 1.2: Vehicle Rental Services, Commissioner Gimenez questioned the number of vehicles the County rented per month.*

*Mr. J.D. Patterson, Assistant Director, Miami-Dade Police Department (MDAD), noted MDPD rented 297 vehicles per month.*

*In response to Commissioner Gimenez's inquiries regarding the monthly charge per vehicle and whether the number of vehicles had increased, Mr. Patterson explained the number of vehicles did not go up. He suggested the cost increased due to the rental car industry.*

*Discussion ensued between Commissioner Sorenson and Ms. Wendi Norris, Director, General Services Administration, regarding the County policy for designating a fleet vehicle as surplus property.*

*Ms. Miriam Singer, Director, Procurement Management Department, requested this proposed resolution be amended to change the allocation to the Park and Recreation Department on handwritten page six from "\$1,250" to "\$12,500," and to change the total contract amount for Item 1.1: Medical Supplies from "\$1,184,029" to "\$1,195,279" throughout this proposed resolution.*

*Hearing no other questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on this proposed resolution, as amended as requested by Ms. Singer.*

*Chairman Martinez noted he would prepare a memorandum requesting that Chairman Barreiro waive the Board's Rules and Procedures to allow this proposed resolution to be considered at the July 17, 2008, County Commission Meeting.*

**4 COUNTY MANAGER**

4A

**082068 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FINANCE  
DEPARTMENT CREDIT AND COLLECTIONS  
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (County  
Manager)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable  
recommendation*

*Mover: Sosa*

*Seconder: 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 with a favorable  
recommendation. This motion was seconded by  
Commissioner Sorenson.*

*Commissioner Gimenez asked Ms. Rachel Baum,  
Director, Finance Department, to meet with him to  
discuss how the monthly revenue targets were  
established for employees generating collections  
revenues for the County. He requested this  
proposed resolution be deferred.*

*Ms. Rachel Baum, Director, Finance Department,  
explained not all of the employees generating  
collections revenues for the County met the  
monthly revenue targets. She noted the targets  
were adjusted every six months.*

*It was moved by Commissioner Gimenez that this  
proposed resolution be deferred. This motion was  
seconded by Chairman Martinez.*

*Following further discussion regarding the impact  
of deferring this proposed resolution,  
Commissioner Gimenez withdrew his motion to  
defer.*

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

**5 COUNTY ATTORNEY**

**6 CLERK OF THE BOARD**

6A

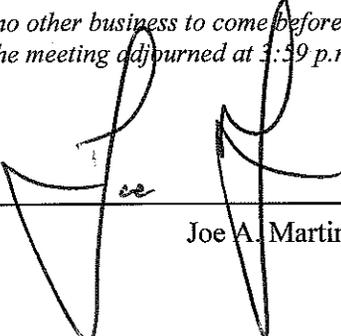
**082088 Report**

CLERK'S SUMMARY OF MINUTES FOR THE BUDGET  
AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING FOR: JUNE 10,  
2008 (Clerk of the Board)

**7 REPORTS**

**8 ADJOURNMENT**

**Report:** *There being no other business to come before the  
Committee, the meeting adjourned at 1:59 p.m.*



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Joe A. Martinez, Chair