



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

Board of County Commissioners

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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)

Wednesday, October 15, 2008

9:30 AM

COMMISSION CHAMBERS

Members Present: Audrey M. Edmonson, Dennis C. Moss, Katy Sorenson.

Members Absent: Barbara J. Jordan, Javier D. Souto.

Members Late: None.

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent County Business: None.

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 Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks, and Deputy Clerk Jovel Shaw.*

Chairwoman Edmonson called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

In addition to the changes noted in the October 15, 2008, 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 deferral of Agenda Item 1G1 to no date certain by Board of County Commissioners (BCC) Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro. She advised the Committee of the requested deferral of Agenda Item 1G4 to no date certain by the County Manager.

Hearing no objection, Commissioner Moss moved that the Committee approve the County Manager's memorandum of changes and the additional changes noted by Assistant County Attorney Johnson-Stacks. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Sorenson, and upon being put to a vote, passed by a vote of 3-0 (Commissioners Jordan and Souto were absent).

1D **OPENING REMARKS FROM
CHAIRPERSON EDMONSON**

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

1F **DISCUSSION ITEM(S)**

1G **PUBLIC HEARING(S)**

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1G1

082121 Ordinance

Bruno A. Barreiro

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 31, ARTICLE II, SECTION 31-89 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RELATING TO VEHICLE STANDARDS; PHASING-IN FUEL EFFICIENT TAXICABS; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Deferred to no date certain
Mover: Moss
Seconder: Sorenson
Vote: 3-0
Absent: Jordan, Souto

Report: *During consideration of changes to today's (10/15) agenda, the Committee deferred the foregoing proposed ordinance to no date certain as requested by the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro.*

1G1 SUPPLEMENT

082903 Supplement

SUPPLEMENT REPORT RE: TAXICAB FUEL EFFICIENCY PHASE-IN

Deferred to no date certain
Mover: Moss
Seconder: Sorenson
Vote: 3-0
Absent: Jordan, Souto

Report: *During consideration of changes to today's (10/15) agenda, the Committee deferred the foregoing supplement to no date certain as requested by the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro.*

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082370 Ordinance

Rebeca Sosa

ORDINANCE RELATING TO DRY CLEANING AND LAUNDERING; CREATING SECTION 8A-124.10.5; REQUIRING THE POSTING OF THE ACTUAL PRICE FOR CLEANING PER ARTICLE OF CLOTHING AND OTHER FABRIC; AMENDING CHAPTER 8CC OF THE CODE PROVIDING CIVIL PENALTIES; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Sorenson

Seconder: Moss

Vote: 3-0

Absent: Jordan, Souto

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

Chairwoman Edmonson opened the public hearing. There being 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 ordinance as presented.

1G3

082274 Ordinance

ORDINANCE GRANTING 50% MUNICIPAL UTILITY SALES TAX EXEMPTION ON ELECTRICAL USE TO CURTISS-WRIGHT CONTROLLED ENGINEERED SYSTEMS, A BUSINESS LOCATED IN THE ENTERPRISE ZONE; PROVIDING SCOPE AND TERMS OF SALES TAX EXEMPTION; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, EFFECTIVE DATE AND EXPIRATION DATE (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Sorenson

Seconder: Moss

Vote: 3-0

Absent: Jordan, Souto

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

Chairwoman Edmonson opened the public hearing. There being 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 ordinance as presented.

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073743 Ordinance

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 31-82 (O) OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, REGARDING THE TAXICAB LICENSE LOTTERY; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE (Consumer Services Department)

Deferred to no date certain
Mover: Moss
Seconder: Sorenson
Vote: 3-0
Absent: Jordan, Souto

Report: *During consideration of changes to today's (10/15) agenda, the Committee deferred the foregoing proposed ordinance to no date certain as requested by the County Manager.*

1G4 SUBSTITUTE

080377 Ordinance

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 31-82 (O) OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, REGARDING THE TAXICAB LICENSE LOTTERY; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE (Consumer Services Department)

Deferred to no date certain
Mover: Moss
Seconder: Sorenson
Vote: 3-0
Absent: Jordan, Souto

Report: *During consideration of changes to today's (10/15) agenda, the Committee deferred the foregoing proposed ordinance to no date certain as requested by the County Manager.*

1G5

082649 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING APPLICATION FOR ONE CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO MEDICS TRANSPORT SERVICES, INC. TO PROVIDE WHEELCHAIR NONEMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICE (NE CONTROL NO. 45006) (Consumer Services Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Sorenson
Seconder: Moss
Vote: 3-0
Absent: Souto, Jordan

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

Chairwoman Edmonson opened the public hearing. There being 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.

1G6

082887 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FY 2009 ACTION PLAN FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS; AUTHORIZING THE FILING WITH U.S. HUD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY'S FY 2009 ACTION PLAN WITH PROJECTED USES OF FUNDS FOR FY 2009 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT, HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP, STATE HOUSING INITIATIVES PARTNERSHIP, HODAG PROGRAM INCOME, AMERICAN DOWNPAYMENT DREAM INITIATIVE AND EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT PROGRAMS; DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR THE MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO SUBMIT TO U.S. HUD THE OPA-LOCKA, MODEL CITY, MELROSE, WEST LITTLE RIVER, GOULDS, SOUTH MIAMI, PERRINE AND NARANJA/LEISURE CITY AREAS AND THE FEDERAL ENTERPRISE COMMUNITY/EMPOWERMENT ZONE FOR DESIGNATION AS NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY AREAS; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO MAKE NON-SUBSTANTIVE MODIFICATIONS TO THE FY 2009 ACTION PLAN; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO GIVE PRIORITY CONSIDERATION TO FULFILL THE FY 2008-2009 BUDGETED MANDATES; AND EXECUTE ALL CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, AMENDMENTS, AND TO SHIFT FUNDS AND FUNDING SOURCES AWARDED FOR A PROJECT TO ANY NEW ENTITIES CREATED FOR THE PURPOSE OF CARRYING OUT A PROJECT NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE ABOVE PROGRAMS; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE THE CANCELLATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Withdrawn

Report: (See Agenda Item 1G6 Substitute; Legislative File No. 082953.)

1G6 SUBSTITUTE

082953 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FY 2009 ACTION PLAN FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS; AUTHORIZING THE FILING WITH U.S. HUD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY'S FY 2009 ACTION PLAN WITH PROJECTED USES OF FUNDS FOR FY 2009 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT, HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP, STATE HOUSING INITIATIVES PARTNERSHIP, HODAG PROGRAM INCOME, AMERICAN DOWNPAYMENT DREAM INITIATIVE AND EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT PROGRAMS; DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR THE MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO SUBMIT TO U.S. HUD THE OPA-LOCKA, MODEL CITY, MELROSE, WEST LITTLE RIVER, GOULDS, SOUTH MIAMI, PERRINE AND NARANJA/LEISURE CITY AREAS AND THE FEDERAL ENTERPRISE COMMUNITY/EMPOWERMENT ZONE FOR DESIGNATION AS NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY AREAS; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO MAKE NON-SUBSTANTIVE MODIFICATIONS TO THE FY 2009 ACTION PLAN; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO GIVE PRIORITY CONSIDERATION TO FULFILL THE FY 2008-2009 BUDGETED MANDATES; AND EXECUTE ALL CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, AMENDMENTS, AND TO SHIFT FUNDS AND FUNDING SOURCES AWARDED FOR A PROJECT TO ANY NEW ENTITIES CREATED FOR THE PURPOSE OF CARRYING OUT A PROJECT NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE ABOVE PROGRAMS; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE THE CANCELLATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 082887] (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Amended

Report: *See Agenda Item 1G6 Substitute Amended, Legislative File No. 082990 for the amended version.*

1G6 SUBSTITUTE AMENDED

082990 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FY 2009 ACTION PLAN FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS; AUTHORIZING THE FILING WITH U.S. HUD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY'S FY 2009 ACTION PLAN WITH PROJECTED USES OF FUNDS FOR FY 2009 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT, HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP, STATE HOUSING INITIATIVES PARTNERSHIP, HODAG PROGRAM INCOME, AMERICAN DREAM DOWNPAYMENT INITIATIVE AND EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT PROGRAMS; DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR THE MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO SUBMIT TO U.S. HUD THE OPA-LOCKA, MODEL CITY, MELROSE, WEST LITTLE RIVER, GOULDS, SOUTH MIAMI, PERRINE AND NARANJA/LEISURE CITY AREAS AND THE FEDERAL ENTERPRISE COMMUNITY/EMPOWERMENT ZONE FOR DESIGNATION AS NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY AREAS; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO MAKE NON-SUBSTANTIVE MODIFICATIONS TO THE FY 2009 ACTION PLAN AND UPDATES TO THE FY 2008-2012 CONSOLIDATED PLAN; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO GIVE PRIORITY CONSIDERATION TO FULFILL THE FY 2008-2009 BUDGETED MANDATES; AND EXECUTE ALL CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, AMENDMENTS, AND TO SHIFT FUNDS AND FUNDING SOURCES AWARDED FOR A PROJECT TO ANY NEW ENTITIES CREATED FOR THE PURPOSE OF CARRYING OUT A PROJECT NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE ABOVE PROGRAMS; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE THE CANCELLATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 082953] (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Forwarded to the BCC by the BCC Chairperson with favorable recommendation with committee amendments

Mover: Sorenson

Seconder: Moss

Vote: 3-0

Absent: Jordan, Souto

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

Chairwoman Edmonson opened the public hearing and the following persons appeared before the Committee in connection with this proposed resolution fiscal year (FY) 2009 Action Plan funding recommendations:

Mr. Adolfo Martinez, Executive Director, Latin Chamber of Commerce of the United States (CAMACOL), urged the Committee members to allow the Office of Community and Economic Development (OCED) to further review and

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reconsider the CAMACOL funding request, which was not recommended for FY 2009 funding.

Mr. James Borgmann, City Manager, City of Miami Springs, urged the Committee members to allow OCED to reconsider the City of Miami Springs funding request for its Senior Center, which was not recommended for FY 2009 funding.

Mr. Marta Navarro, CODEC, Inc., asked for consideration of additional funding for its Princeton Manor Apartments activity. She noted CODEC requested \$75,000 from HOME Community Housing Development Organization (CDHOD) (and OCED recommended \$50,000 for CODEC.

Mr. Leroy Jones, Executive Director, Neighbors and Neighbors Association, Inc. (NANA), urged the Committee members to allow OCED to consider an allocation of additional funding for two projects located in the Liberty City area. He also expressed concern regarding the OCED funding process.

Commissioner Moss noted that he had discussed with OCED staff the Community-Based Organization (CBO) funding process and that this process needed to be modified for CBOs to access these funds for their activities.

Mr. Jones noted his intended use of the discretionary funding that would be used to provide funding to other agencies was not prohibited by the guidelines and policies for this funding.

Chairwoman Edmonson questioned Mr. Jones on whether he met with OCED.

Following Mr. Jones' response that he has not met with OCED staff, Chairwoman Edmonson asked Senior Advisor to the County Manager Cynthia Curry to expedite the scheduling of meeting between OCED and Mr. Jones in order to address his concerns.

Ms. Curry stated she would expedite the meeting to resolve the issues raised by Mr. Jones.

Mr. Roy Hardemon concurred with Mr. Jones regarding leverage of dollars throughout the County and the City of Miami. He spoke regarding partnerships projects in the Liberty City area, frequent changes in OCED staff, and a County

liaison needing to be appointed to attend the OCED Model City Community Advisory Committee.

Ms. Hilda Hall-Dennis, Executive Director, Business and Technology Development Corporation d/b/a Carrie P. Meek Center, expressed to the Committee members and OCED staff its appreciation for its continued support. She spoke in opposition to the FY 2009 funding recommendation to reduce the Carrie P. Meek Center funding request. Ms. Hall-Dennis asked the Committee to consider providing additional funding by OCED staff for the Carrie P. Meek Center's activity.

Mr. Marc Plonskier, President, the Gatehouse Group, spoke in opposition to the OCED non-funding recommendation for the Gatehouse Group's Madison View activity. He noted all of this group's State and Federal funding was secured and committed. Mr. Plonskier stated this Committee and the County has always applied criteria that developers for affordable housing projects should receive State and Federal funding prior to applying for County funding. He informed the Committee members the Gatehouse Group and the developer for Madison View would lose the secured and committed State and Federal funding if the County did not provide funding.

Mr. Gonzalo Deramon, 150 SE 2 Avenue, stated gap financing and/or funding was need for Madison Housing, Limited to proceed with its project. He indicated if the County funding was not provided the State funding would be returned to the State.

Responding to Commissioner Sorenson's request for OCED staff to respond to the issue of affordable housing projects that were ready to go, Ms. Hana Eskra, Interim Director, OCED, provided an overview of those affordable housing projects that served a special needs population and of those affordable housing developers doing transit-oriented development.

Mr. Deramon noted the financing provided in 2007 was ready for affordable housing projects. He further noted the projects Notre Dame Apartments, LLC and Madison View would address a need in this community. Mr. Deramon informed the Committee members that Madison View had a pre-existing loan before the City of Miami took the property from the County.

Chairwoman Edmonson noted the Commission Auditor Charles Anderson had not been successful in obtaining data for the scoring for these projects.

Ms. Curry noted the criteria for the scoring was available and OCED staff was instructed to provide the Commission Auditor with a copy. Ms. Curry stated during this particular Request for Applications (RFA) OCED staff normally had a Documentary Stamp Surtax (Surtax) allocation for the County Commission to approve, but this RFA did not include Surtax funds. She stressed the County Commission needed to adopt a policy for approval of funding from future projected funding.

Responding to Chairwoman Edmonson's inquiry regarding funding provided for larger versus small projects that would provide more housing units, Ms. Eskra proceeded to provide an overview of the FY 2009 RFA and the evaluation process. She noted the Mid-year RFA was specifically for larger tax credit projects.

Commissioner Sorenson asked the Office of Community and Economic Development Interim Director to conduct a review of the uncommitted Documentary Stamp Surtax (Surtax) funds for homeownership activities and to submit her findings to the committee at its next meeting.

Chairwoman Edmonson concurred with Commissioner Sorenson's request for review and questioned whether the Madison View activity for new construction of 120 affordable rental apartment units could use this funding source.

Ms. Curry noted a different item would be required for the County to take the action Commissioner Sorenson requested. She pointed out an ordinance sponsored by Commissioner Sorenson stated the use of Surtax funds had to go through a process.

Assistant County Attorney Johnson-Stacks stated that an agenda item could be prepared and submitted for consideration by the Committee at its November 12, 2008, meeting to move forward with the request by Commissioner Sorenson and Chairwoman Edmonson.

Mr. Deramon noted he has worked very closely with OCED staff and stressed the need for a commitment by December 2008.

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Ms. Johnson-Stacks reiterated the agenda item coming forth would be prepared for the November 12, 2008, Committee meeting under the Committee's sponsorship. In addition, this item would be forwarded to the November 20, 2008, County Commission meeting for consideration.

A discussion ensued among Commissioner Sorenson, Chairwoman Edmonson, and Ms. Curry regarding a waiver of the County's policy for the 50/50 split for homeownership and rental along with other policies that were associated with Surtax funds.

Mr. Ron Butler, 79th Street Corridor Neighborhood Initiative, Inc. requested and urged the Committee to allow OCED to reconsider the FY 2009 funding for the 79th Street Corridor Neighborhood Initiative's Economic Development Plan, which was not recommended for funding.

Ms. Helena Del Monte, Executive Director, Association for Development of the Exceptional, Inc., requested OCED reconsider the FY 2009 funding for the ADE-South Facility Expansion Project, which was not recommended for funding.

Ms. Cecilia E. Holloman, Executive Director, Urban Empowerment Corporation, requested OCED reconsider the FY 2009 funding for the Urban Empowerment Corporation's Community Development Block Grant Economic Development Job Creation activity, which was not recommended for funding.

Ms. Mary Hill, representing the Economic Opportunity Act Program policies, spoke in opposition to this proposed resolution and expressed her concerns with the County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funding process and the Federal government mandates.

Mr. Calvin C. Reed, 1601 NW 1 Court, representing Now Our Way, spoke in opposition to this proposed resolution and noted his experience as a Section 8 tenant. He noted the need in Overtown for housing development.

Mr. Edward Colebrook, 5422 NW 7 Avenue, representing Shantel Lounge, requested CDBG funding in the amount of \$75,000 to provide jobs for the residents in the surrounding community and to make them more self-sufficient.

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Chairwoman Edmonson informed Mr. Colebrook that she would be allocating Commission District 3 Discretionary Reserve funds for Shantel Lounge.

Mr. Kevin Humes, 2735 NW 163 Street, spoke in support of a Green Manufacturing Facility along with Composite Concrete using the Poinciana Industrial Park area. Mr. Humes indicated these two types of businesses would create jobs for this community to build green.

Mr. Steven Carroll, 6118 NW 7 Avenue, informed the Committee members that the Unsafe Structures Board intended to demolish the building located at 2330 NW 74 Street. He indicated that the County may need to file an injunction to prevent the demolition of the building. Mr. Carroll noted a municipal fire department used the facility at this site for training, which contributed to the facility being an unsafe structure.

Chairwoman Edmonson asked that the Senior Advisor to the County Manager Cynthia Curry determine whether the building located at 2330 NW 74 Street currently being used by a municipal fire department could be used for economic development.

Mr. Kenneth Kilpatrick, 7735 NW 22 Avenue, Chairman, Model City Community Advisory Committee (CAC), asked that the Committee support a funding recommendation in the amount of \$100,000 for the Model City Community Advisory Committee; including \$75,000 for the Broadway Place, Inc. and \$25,000 for the Historic Hampton House. He also asked that the Committee support the CAC's funding recommendation in the amount of \$69,987 for the Hampton House for a total of \$135,000 which would include the \$40,103 recommended by OCED and \$25,000 contributed by Model City CAC. Concerning the Neighbors and Neighbor's Credit Union (NANCU) Project, Mr. Kilpatrick asked that the Committee recommend that CAC and the NANCU Project be funded at its full capacity.

Additionally, Mr. Kilpatrick asked Committee members to support the CAC's funding recommendation in the amount of \$66,410 dollars for Broadway Place, Inc. for a total of \$141,410, which would include \$75,000 contributed by the Model City CAC; and that the Historic Hampton House Trust, Inc. be given oversight and approval authority over their renovation project.

Chairwoman Edmonson noted some of the projects by Model City CAC would receive funding from the County.

Mr. Grady Muhammad, 6130 NW 7 Avenue, Grady Muhammad Associates, Inc., spoke in favor of this proposed resolution and the FY 2009 funding recommendations. He informed the Committee members that he assisted for-profit businesses that received grants/loans from government entities.

Mr. Al Hardemon, 655 NW 48 Street, spoke in favor of this proposed resolution. He stated County staff was not fulfilling directives given by this Committee. He proposed the Committee request a report of the directives given to the OCED staff for the last three years to review staff responsiveness to the directives.

Mr. Ralph Pressley, 1487 NW 54 Street, Esquire Clothing, Inc., noted the need for a business expansion for his clothing store. He requested OCED reconsider the FY 2009 funding for Esquire Clothing's community revitalization activity, which was not recommended for funding.

Mr. Jeffrey Mellerson, Community Involve People Educating Youth (CIPEY), urged the Committee members to support CIPEY's mission and he requested future funding for its activities.

Mr. David Alexander, 1324 NW 3 Avenue, President, Saint John Community Development Corporation (CDC), urged the Committee members to support having dialogue with Ms. Eskra regarding new strategies and business plans for two of the five projects that were recommended for FY 2009 funding. He noted two of the five subject properties were declared eminent domain.

Chairwoman Edmonson asked Ms. Eskra to follow-up on the comments made by Mr. Alexander regarding a County policy that the County could not receive funding allocated to a CBO back from a CBO.

Mr. Zafar Ahmed, Director, Housing Development and Loan Administration Division, OCED, explained that OCED had a policy that when projects recommended for funding and the developer and/or organization has received the funding they were asked to voluntarily request a receipt of those funds and then submit a statement

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indicating they could not use the funding. Therefore, before the County could receive those funds back from the recipient those funds shall be placed in the pool of recaptured funding, Mr. Ahmed noted.

Mr. Alexander explained the funding for the St. John CDC projects was half Surtax and half HOME funding. He noted St. John CDC could not proceed with partial funding for projects, therefore, they would return the funds and asked for special consideration because the projects were scored but were not recommended for funding.

Ms. Curry stated she would follow-up with St. John CDC and a status report would be provided to Chairwoman Edmonson.

Ms. Renita Holmes, 6118 NW 7 Avenue Suite 103, R. Holmes Business and Property Services/Our Homes, Inc., noted her organization was not recommended for FY 2009 Funding. She urged the Committee members to further review the OCED funding process.

Chairwoman Edmonson closed the public hearing.

Chairwoman Edmonson reminded Senior Advisor to the County Manager Cynthia Curry of her request for a status report of the Madison View Limited/the Gatehouse Group Housing project that received previous funding versus those housing projects that did not received funding. In addition, she asked that the report provide any other funding outside of the County funding for these projects.

The Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution.

Ms. Hana Eskra, Interim Director, Office of Community and Economic Development, advised the Committee of the supplement report that contained and outlined corrections to scrivener's errors in the substitute version of this proposal (see Agenda Item 1G6 Supplement, Legislative File No. 082952, for the corrections). In addition, she requested the title of this proposed resolution be amended to correct a scrivener's error and to reflect "American Dream Downpayment Initiative" instead of "American Downpayment Dream Initiative", and to add "modification to the FY2009 Action Plan and updates to the FY2008-2012 Consolidated Plan."

Ms. Eskra suggested an amendment to this proposed resolution to include the final County Executive Recommendations in Attachment I entitled "Exhibit 1 FY2009 Funding Recommendation by Applicant," and to provide that the FY2009 Home Investment Partnerships (HOME) Funding Recommendation for \$922,374 to Woodside Oaks, Limited be allocated to the Urban League of Greater Miami, Inc.

Ms. Eskra clarified the unallocated homeownership second mortgage funding would be provided to qualified, low and moderate-income first-time homebuyers through the OCED Housing Subsidy Lottery.

The Committee forwarded the foregoing proposed resolution to the County Commission with a favorable recommendation with committee amendment(s) as noted in Agenda Item 1G6 Supplement, Legislative File No. 082952, and as noted by Ms. Eskra.

In response to Ms. Curry's request for a waiver, Chairwoman Edmonson requested staff to prepare the appropriate memorandum to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro requesting that the Board's Rules and Procedures be waived to hear this proposed resolution at the October 21, 2008, Board meeting.

Commissioner Moss stressed the County needed to conduct a thorough review of the funding process.

1G6 SUPPLEMENT

082952 Supplement

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION ON EDHS AGENDA
ITEM 1G6 SUBSTITUTE

Report Received

2 COUNTY COMMISSION

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2A

082705 Resolution **Natacha Seijas**

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING A SISTER CITIES
AFFILIATION BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND
THE CITY OF PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable
recommendation*

Mover: Moss

Seconder: Sorenson

Vote: 3-0

Absent: Jordan, Souto

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.*

2B

082807 Resolution **Audrey M. Edmonson,**

Bruno A. Barreiro, Barbara J. Jordan, Dorrin D. Rolle
RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE
TO PASS LEGISLATION REPEALING THE 2011 SUNSET
OF THE MIAMI-DADE AFFORDABLE HOUSING
SURTAX PROGRAM

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable
recommendation*

Mover: Moss

Seconder: Sorenson

Vote: 3-0

Absent: Jordan, Souto

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.*

3 DEPARTMENT

3A

082415 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A RETROACTIVE LEASE AGREEMENT AT 1550 NORTH MIAMI AVENUE, MIAMI AND 28205 S.W. 125 AVENUE, HOMESTEAD, WITH THE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FOR HOMELESS, INC. A NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, FOR PREMISES TO BE UTILIZED BY THE COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY, FOR THE HEAD START PROGRAM; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ANY AND ALL OTHER RIGHTS CONFERRED THEREIN (General Services Administration Department)

Withdrawn
Mover: Moss
Seconder: Edmonson
Vote: 3-0
Absent: Jordan, Souto

Report: *During consideration of changes to today's (10/15) agenda, the Committee deferred the foregoing proposed resolution to no date certain as requested by the County Manager in his Memorandum of Changes.*

It was moved by Commissioner Moss that this proposed resolution be deferred to no date certain. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Sorenson, and upon being put to a vote, passed by a vote of 3-0 (Commissioners Jordan and Souto were absent).

Later in the meeting, Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks advised the Committee of a request to withdraw this proposed resolution.

Ms. Cynthia Curry, Senior Advisor to the County Manager, clarified the General Services Administration has requested the withdrawal of this proposed resolution.

Hearing no objection, the Committee proceeded to vote for the withdrawal of this proposed resolution.

3B

082624 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT AT THE CULMER NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICE CENTER, 1600 N.W. 3 AVENUE, BUILDING D, MIAMI, WITH URGENT, INC., A FLORIDA NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION, FOR PREMISES TO BE UTILIZED FOR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES AND TO HOUSE A COMMUNITY HABILITATION PROGRAM WHICH PROVIDES REHABILITATION ASSISTANCE TO AREAS IN DISTRESS AND HOUSING ASSISTANCE TO LOW INCOME FAMILIES; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR THE COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ANY AND ALL OTHER RIGHTS CONFERRED THEREIN (General Services Administration Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Moss

Seconder: Sorenson

Vote: 3-0

Absent: Jordan, Souto

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.

3C

082654 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT AT 1344 N.W. 22 STREET, MIAMI, FL., WITH EDWARD J. RODRIGUEZ AND JAHNIA L. DOMINGUEZ, FOR PREMISES TO BE UTILIZED BY THE COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY FOR OFFICE AND WAREHOUSE SPACE; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ANY AND ALL OTHER RIGHTS CONFERRED THEREIN (General Services Administration Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Moss

Seconder: Sorenson

Vote: 3-0

Absent: Jordan, Souto

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.

3D

082655 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT AT 11025 S.W. 84 STREET, COTTAGE 9, MIAMI, WITH THE CENTER FOR FAMILY AND CHILD ENRICHMENT, INC, A FLORIDA NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION, FOR PREMISES TO BE UTILIZED AS A RESIDENTIAL SHELTER FOR UNACCOMPANIED MINORS IN THE COMMUNITY; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR THE COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ANY AND ALL OTHER RIGHTS CONFERRED THEREIN (General Services Administration Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Moss

Seconder: Sorenson

Vote: 3-0

Absent: Jordan, Souto

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.

3E

082684 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT AT 18710 S.W. 288 STREET, ROOMS 25, 26, 32 AND 35, HOMESTEAD, WITH THE AVOCADO ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE, A FLORIDA NOT-FOR-PROFIT U.S. GOVERNMENT ENTITY, FOR PREMISES TO BE UTILIZED FOR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES AND TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO THE AVOCADO GROWERS IN THE COMMUNITY; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ANY AND ALL OTHER RIGHTS CONFERRED THEREIN (General Services Administration Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Moss

Seconder: Sorenson

Vote: 3-0

Absent: Souto, Jordan

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.

3F

082685 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AMENDMENT TO LEASE AGREEMENT AT 11350 S.W. 79 STREET, MIAMI, WITH COMMUNITY HABILITATION CENTER, INC., A FLORIDA NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION, FOR PREMISES TO BE UTILIZED FOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICES AND TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO THE MENTALLY HANDICAPPED; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR THE COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ANY AND ALL OTHER RIGHTS CONFERRED THEREIN

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Moss

Seconder: Sorenson

Vote: 3-0

Absent: Jordan, Souto

(General Services Administration Department)

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.

3G

082505 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE AND REHABILITATION OF WALDEN POND APARTMENTS BY WALDEN POND PRESERVATION, LP, AND THE ASSUMPTION OF AND AN AMENDMENT TO THE EXISTING LOAN TERMS OF THE THREE HOME LOANS TOTALING \$3,300,000, AND APPROVING AN INCREASE IN THE AREA MEDIAN INCOME AND AN INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF LOW-INCOME SET-ASIDE UNITS, AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR THE COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY AGREEMENTS (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Withdrawn

Report: *(See Agenda Item 3G Substitute; Legislative File No. 082967).*

3G SUBSTITUTE

082967 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND REHABILITATION OF WALDEN POND APARTMENTS BY WALDEN POND PRESERVATION, LP (WALDEN PRESERVATION) FROM WALDEN POND ASSOCIATES, LTD (WALDEN ASSOCIATES); ASSUMPTION OF THE THREE EXISTING HOME LOANS TOTALING \$3.3 MILLION BY WALDEN PRESERVATION FROM WALDEN ASSOCIATES; AN AMENDMENT TO THE EXISTING HOME LOAN TERMS FOR A 40-YEAR AMORTIZATION PERIOD WITH A NEW 30-YEAR REPAYMENT TERM FOR ALL OUTSTANDING BALANCES; APPROVING CONTINUATION OF ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR TENANTS THAT QUALIFY AT 50 PERCENT OF AREA MEDIAN INCOME (AMI); AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR THE COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY AGREEMENTS [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM NO. 082505] (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Moss

Seconder: Sorenson

Vote: 3-0

Absent: Souto, Jordan

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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5 COUNTY ATTORNEY

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082884 Report

REPORT RE: THE VOLUNTARY WORKFORCE
HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

(County Manager)

Report Received

Mover: Moss

Seconder: Edmonson

Vote: 3-0

Absent: Jordan, Souto

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

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

7B

082885 Report

REPORT RE: THE UPDATE ON EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FOR THE REDEVELOPMENT OF ABANDONED AND FORECLOSED HOMES (TITLE III) OF THE HOUSING AND ECONOMIC RECOVERY ACT OF 2008 (County Manager)

Report Received
Mover: Moss
Seconder: Edmonson
Vote: 3-0
Absent: Jordan, Souto

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

Commissioner Moss noted the Committee needed to discuss the possibility of assisting individuals facing foreclosure. He questioned whether those individuals could go through a process with their lender to determine whether they were good candidates for assistance, and that perhaps the County was in the position to support these types of outstanding mortgages. Commissioner Moss noted the County would not have as many abandoned homes and would not lose as much tax revenue. In addition, he noted City of North Miami Mayor Kevin Burns was attempting to provide a 90-day moratorium on foreclosures within the City of North Miami.

Responding to Commissioner Moss' comments, Ms. Cynthia Curry, Senior Advisor to the County Manager stated that the assistance suggested by Commissioner Moss was prevention and counseling for homeowners. She indicated the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (US HUD) regulations clearly delineated that the County could not use the Emergency Assistance for the Redevelopment of Abandoned and Foreclosed Homes (Title III) of the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008 for that purpose.

Discussion ensued between Commissioner Moss and Ms. Curry regarding the requirements in the financial mechanism section of the US HUD regulations that stated the County could only assist with properties that foreclosed upon and ownership has transferred.

Commissioner Sorenson stated the County should be acquiring foreclosed multi-family rental housing units to provide housing to families who lost their homes.

Mr. David Alexander, 1324 NW 3 Avenue, Saint John Community Development Corporation

(CDC), informed the Committee that St John CDC has conducted research with the National Community Reinvestment Coalition (NCRC). He indicated the Federal government rushed to judgment in saving banking institutions instead of families. He indicated single-family residences and not condominium units made-up the County's tax base revenue. Mr. Alexander pointed out the County's first priority should be for foreclosure on single-family homes. He suggested the second priority should be ways to adopt usage of the Title III funds. In addition, he suggested that as a mechanism to accomplish the second priority that the County identify an agency and authorize that agency to use this funding source in approved ways, rather than the County directly handling the disbursement of these funds. Mr. Alexander stated St John CDC was interested in the pursuing the issue of how to assist in saving actual homeownership, and not second homes or condominiums. He indicated the affordable housing industry had experienced lower amounts of failed mortgages than the middle class had. He proposed this funding be targeted to the future working class of this County.

The Committee proceeded to vote on this report as presented.

Discussion ensued between Chairwoman Edmonson and Ms. Curry regarding the deadline submittal date of December 1, 2008, for the application or an amended action plan for the Title III funds, and the substantial Action Plan for the Title III funds that was due to US HUD no later than December 1, 2008.

Chairwoman Edmonson requested staff prepare the appropriate memorandum to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro requesting that the Board's Rules and Procedures be waived to hear this report at the October 21, 2008, Board meeting.

Chairwoman Edmonson asked the Senior Advisor to the County Manager, Ms. Cynthia Curry, to meet with the County Attorney to develop recommendations for the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) Funds.

Ms. Curry noted this report was deferred from the October 7, 2008, BCC meeting and was scheduled to be heard at the October 21, 2008, BCC meeting. She pointed out the County administration was aware well of the eligible uses

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stated in Title III of the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008 (HERA) and the US HUD Notice. Ms. Curry informed the Committee members that Community Affordable Housing Strategies Alliance (CASHA) had an agenda item on its October 17, 2008, meeting agenda regarding Title III. She proceeded to provide the Committee members with an overview of the background regarding the legislation, the eligible uses, and potential strategies for the BCC's consideration.

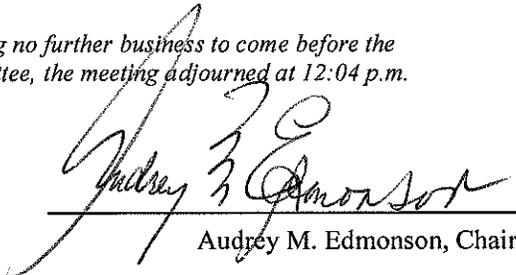
In response to Commissioner Moss' question whether the County Administration has identified potential properties, Ms. Curry noted a Section in the Notice for redevelopment and provided an overview of redevelopment of demolished or vacant properties.

In response to Commissioner Sorenson's comments regarding the eligibility of the HOPE VI/Scott Carver project, Ms. Curry noted that HOPE VI could possibly be an eligible use under the redevelopment section of the US HUD Notice.

Hearing no further questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on this report as presented.

8 ADJOURNMENT

Report: *Hearing no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 12:04 p.m.*



Audrey M. Edmonson, Chair