



**MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
FINAL OFFICIAL MINUTES
Transit, Infrastructure and Roads Committee
(TIRC)**

Board of County Commissioners

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Transit, Infrastructure & Roads Committee

Barbara J. Jordan (1) Chair; Carlos A. Gimenez (7) Vice Chair; Commissioners Audrey
M. Edmonson (3), Dorrin D. Rolle (2), Natacha Seijas (13) and Katy Sorenson (8)

Wednesday, February 11, 2009

2:00 PM

COMMISSION CHAMBERS

Members Present: Audrey M. Edmonson, Carlos A. Gimenez, Barbara J. Jordan, Dorrin
D. Rolle, Natacha Seijas.

Members Absent: Katy Sorenson.

Members Late: None.

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent County Business: None.

1 MINUTES PREPARED BY:

Report: *Jill Thornton, Commission Reporter*
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INVOCATION

1A PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1B **ROLL CALL**

Report: *The following staff members were present: Assistant County Managers Ysela Llorc and Susanne Torriente; Assistant County Attorneys Bruce Libhaber and Monica Rizo; and Deputy Clerks Doris Dickens and Jill Thornton.*

Chairwoman Jordan called the meeting to order at 2:16 p.m. and asked everyone present to join her in a moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Assistant County Attorney Bruce Libhaber requested, in addition to the changes listed in the February 11, 2009 County Manager's Memorandum entitled "Requested Changes to the Transit, Infrastructure and Roads Committee Agenda," that a scrivener's error existing in Agenda Item 3B, on handwritten page 2, be corrected to reflect the Doral Circulator System was currently comprised of two trolleys, instead of one; and that a scrivener's error existing in Agenda Item 3H be corrected to delete each occurrence of the word 'JACK' in the resolution and County Manager's memorandum, and replace it with the word "JAC."

Chairwoman Jordan welcomed everyone present and provided opening remarks. She expressed her appreciation to Chairman Moss for appointing her as Chair of the Transit, Infrastructure and Roads Committee (TIRC), and recognized Commissioner Rolle for his leadership role in the previous Transit Committee. She also expressed her appreciation to the County Attorney's Office, the County Manager's Office and the Clerk of Board's Office for their support to this Committee. Chairwoman Jordan noted she looked forward to working with Miami-Dade Transit (MDT), the Public Works Departments and the Office of Capital Improvements, whose common goals were to implement projects in a timely manner and spur the deteriorating economy, and continuing to improve the County's infrastructure. She noted public transportation was one of the County's major challenges, particularly maintenance and expansion of the existing transit system. Chairwoman Jordan pledged, as Chair of the TIRC, to continue the momentum of the People's Transportation Plan's (PTP) Summit, held last November, and find

solutions for the many challenges that lay ahead.

Chairwoman Jordan noted many of the attendees at the PTP Summit expressed frustration regarding the County's transit system, and many felt the issues pertaining to transit routes, maintenance and fare collection needed to be resolved immediately; and they recommended the County continue its efforts to expand the system. Chairwoman Jordan noted the recent Grand Jury report on the PTP was a sobering reminder of broken promises and the County's need to reprioritize projects to ensure that transit was properly funded and prevent the elimination of existing bus routes.

Chairwoman Jordan pledged, as Chair of the TIRC, to work directly with the County's Federal lobbyist team and the Federal Transit Administration staff to advocate for transit system improvements. She noted she would personally visit other major cities in the coming months to learn more about developing private/public partnerships for transit projects. Chairwoman Jordan expressed the importance of ensuring proper funding for the existing transit system, which would be one of her top priorities. She noted she worked closely with the Citizen's Independent Transportation Trust (CITT) to develop forthcoming legislation she believed would address some of these concerns.

Chairwoman Jordan noted another goal for this Committee was to ensure the Miami Intermodal Center (MIC) Earlington Heights Project was completed on time and within budget. She noted this signature County project would signify to the public that their tax dollars were spent wisely. Chairwoman Jordan pointed out that realistically this community had one of the most generous transit systems in the Country, with 75% of its riders traveling free or at a reduced fare, which emphasized the need for the County to revisit its funding structures to find ways to maximize transit revenues.

Chairwoman Jordan noted the new Fare Collection System should bring MDT more revenue by substantially reducing fraud and fare evasion and by providing necessary data to improve planning for a more efficient transit system. She said she would challenge MDT's staff to bring forth proposals that improved the MDT fleet's efficiency and technology. She stated,

although the County Commission adopted legislation last year to increase transit fares, several bus routes were expected to be eliminated this year. Consequently, the County must right size its transit services with minimal impact to those who depend on the transit system to travel to and from work, especially considering the state of the economy. Chairwoman Jordan noted she asked staff to prepare a detailed report that identifies the financial and budgetary issues for presentation at a "Truth about Transit" Workshop. She noted, while the reality was sobering and the challenges seemingly insurmountable, she promised as Chair of the TIRC, she would work diligently to ensure a realistic and affordable transportation plan was developed that provided a viable transit system for this community. She noted, however, she could not do this alone but would need to rely on the guidance of each committee member, as well as the support of the County Mayor, County Manager, the entire County Commission, the CITT, the MDT, the Office of Strategic Business Management, the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs and the private sector.

1C PUBLIC HEARING(S)

1C1

090254 Resolution

RESOLUTION MODIFYING THE MIAMI-DADE TRANSIT SCHEDULE OF TRANSIT FARES, RATES AND CHARGES WHICH STARTS THE PROCESS OF INTRODUCING THE AUTOMATED FARE COLLECTION SYSTEM (AFCS); REMOVES UNUSED PROVISIONS OF THE SCHEDULE; PHASES OUT THE ACCEPTANCE OF TOKENS; IMPLEMENTS A CHANGE IN THE TRANSFER POLICY; INCLUDES THE DAILY TRANSIT AND DAILY TRANSIT DISCOUNT FARES; CONSOLIDATES AND SIMPLIFIES THE DISCOUNT FARES; CLARIFIES LANGUAGE; AND UPDATES THE FARE SCHEDULE AS MODIFIED BY THE BOARD ON SEPTEMBER 2, 2008 (Miami-Dade Transit Agency)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Gimenez

Seconded: Edmonson

Vote: 5-0

Absent: Sorenson

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

Chairwoman Jordan opened the public hearing, and seeing no one wishing to speak in connection with this resolution, closed the public hearing.

Mr. Harpal Kapoor, Director, Miami-Dade Transit (MDT), provided a video presentation on the Automated Fare Collection System (AFCS) with "EASY Card" technology.

Following the video presentation, it was moved by Commissioner Gimenez that the foregoing proposed resolution be forwarded to the County Commission with a favorable recommendation. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Edmonson for discussion.

In response to Commissioner Gimenez' question whether promises were made in the People Transportation Plan (PTP) that allowed seniors to ride the Metrorail for free and Metromover boarders to ride for free, Mr. Kapoor affirmed that was correct.

Responding to Commissioner Gimenez' questions whether the new Easy Card technology would enable MDT to track the number of seniors riding Metrorail for free, and if the PTP reimbursed MDT for seniors and those riding the Metromover for free, Mr. Kapoor affirmed the new technology would provide a better count of the number of riders. He noted PTP currently subsidized MDT for all Metromover Golden and Patriot Passport riders and all Metromover riders. He also noted the ridership was heavy at this time, and the

subsidy was not enough to cover the maintenance costs.

Commissioner Edmonson spoke in support of this resolution, but expressed concern with MDT's plans to eliminate 100 or more positions, and some productive bus service routes.

Mr. Kapoor noted, at the September 2008 Budget Hearing, it was discussed that MDT needed to reduce its service level by 2.1 million miles to meet its budget. He noted a new line up of bus routes would be presented at the March committee meeting with some adjustments made to bus routes and some positions eliminated to cut costs and keep MDT within budget.

Following comments by Commissioner Edmonson regarding a deficit in MDT's budget, Chairwoman Jordan noted she preferred this discussion focused on the issues relative to the foregoing report and the Smart Card. She suggested other concerns be addressed under the appropriated agenda item.

Commissioners Gimenez and Edmonson noted they would withhold their concerns until Agenda Item 5E was considered.

In response to Commissioner Edmonson's question regarding the fiscal impact for not charging a fee to purchase the limited-use "Easy Ticket," Mr. Kapoor noted there would be no fiscal impact by making the Easy Ticket free, but revenues could increase as a result of savings from reduced fraud and better tracking of ridership for planning purposes.

In response to Commissioner Edmonson's question regarding the hours of operation and the staff needed at transit stations during the promotion of the new fare collection system, Mr. Kapoor noted transit stations would be opened from 5:00 am to midnight on weekdays as well as weekends when implementing the new fare collection system. He further noted MDT would be launching a marketing campaign to introduce this system in the summer of 2009, and staff would be provided at all transit stations to train customers on how to use the Smart Card. He noted bus riders would still have the choice to use cash.

In response to Commissioner Edmonson's question regarding how long staff would be

needed to assist in training the passengers, Mr. Kapoor noted approximately one to two months.

In response to Commissioner Rolle's question whether additional staff would be needed to operate the stations during the promotional campaign, Mr. Kapoor noted additional staff would not be needed, but current office staff would be rotated in shifts of three to four hours per day to work in the field during peak hours. He also noted he was currently working on a staff utilization business plan that would include using transit ambassadors and volunteers as well.

Commissioner Rolle asked Miami-Dade Transit Director to provide him with a written report on his plans to use staff to man stations and train riders to use the fare box collection system during the promotional campaign.

Assistant County Manager Ysela Llord clarified that MDT would not charge a fee for the purchase of an Easy ticket, a temporary card designed for the occasional user; however, MDT would be charging a \$2 purchasing fee for the Easy Card, which was embedded with a microchip and designed to last up to three years. She noted, initially, 500,000 Easy Cards would be distributed to the public for free while the new fare collection system was being implemented, and the \$2 purchase fee would be waived to relieve customers from having to pay the transfer fees.

At Chairwoman Jordan's request, Mr. Kapoor provided, for the record, an overview of MDT's business plan for outreach programs, media coverage, marketing campaigns and an internet web site to inform the public on the use of the Easy Card. He noted the County Mayor and the County Commissioners would be provided with free Easy Cards to distribute to their constituents; and staff would work with each Commissioner's Office to develop an outreach program for each community. He noted advertisements would be placed on buses and trains, at business centers and bus stops and at each transit transfer center to announce the change in the transit system. He noted the Easy Cards would be distributed prior to launching the system.

Responding to Commissioner Jordan's inquiry whether the 500,000 free Easy Cards would be distributed to the community to help riders adjust to this process, and whether information would be

provided for the use of the cash system to purchase transfer tickets, Mr. Kapoor affirmed that information would be provided as well.

Responding to Commissioner Gimenez' question whether an Easy Ticket could be reloaded, Mr. Kapoor noted, once purchased, an Easy Card could be reloaded via the internet, but an Easy Ticket had to be reloaded at ticket vending machines (TVM) located at the Government Center, Metrorail Stations and at some Winn Dixie Stores. He noted MDT was in the process of negotiating with other retail stores in local neighborhoods to expand outlets to accommodate the purchase and reloading of both Easy Cards and Easy Tickets. He noted a customer could add up to \$150 dollars on an Easy Card and up to \$40 on an Easy Ticket. Responding to Commissioner Gimenez' inquiry regarding automated reload, Mr. Kapoor affirmed that an Easy Card could be reloaded automatically, as done with SunPass transponders.

Hearing no further comments or questions, the Board proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.

2 COUNTY COMMISSION

2A

083615 Resolution **Audrey M. Edmonson**
 RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR DESIGNEE *Amended*
 TO QUICKLY DEVELOP AND PRIORITIZE A
 PROPOSED LIST OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
 INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS FOR SUBMISSION TO
 THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN THE EVENT
 FEDERAL FUNDS ARE MADE AVAILABLE TO LOCAL
 GOVERNMENTS AS PART OF A PUBLIC WORKS
 ECONOMIC STIMULUS PLAN (SEE LEGISTAR FILE
 NOS. 083682 AND 090333)

Report: *(See Agenda Item 2A Amended; Legislative File No. 090441 for the amended version.)*

2A AMENDED

090441 Resolution

Audrey M. Edmonson,

Dorrin D. Rolle

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO QUICKLY DEVELOP AND PRIORITIZE A PROPOSED LIST OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS FOR SUBMISSION TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN THE EVENT FEDERAL FUNDS ARE MADE AVAILABLE TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AS PART OF A PUBLIC WORKS ECONOMIC STIMULUS PLAN [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 083615]

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

Mover: Edmonson

Seconder: Gimenez

Vote: 5-0

Absent: Sorenson

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Bruce Libhaber read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record, and advised that a scrivener's error existing in the fifth "WHERE AS" clause, on handwritten page 3 that should be corrected to reflect "President Barack Obama" in lieu of "President-Elect Barack Obama."*

It was moved by Commissioner Edmonson that the foregoing proposed resolution and related supplemental report (Item 2A Supplement) be forwarded to the County Commission with a favorable recommendation. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Gimenez for discussion.

Commissioner Seijas noted she believed the related supplemental report, Agenda Item 2A Supplement, contained a scrivener's error in Attachment B, handwritten page 15, under the heading "Proposed Capital Projects for FY2008-09 Federal Stimulus Package" that should be corrected to reflect \$15 million for the Water and Sewer Efficiency and Retrofit Program in lieu of \$1.5 million. She asked staff to verify this amount and said she hoped some of these proposed projects would be discussed before the appropriate committees.

In response to Commissioner Rolle's question whether a list of prioritized projects had been developed, Assistant County Manager Susanne Torriente noted the list of projects in the supplemental report was an ongoing list prepared for lobbyist efforts, but was incomplete. She noted once the rules concerning the federal stimulus package and details regarding loans or grants were known, as well as the amount to be distributed to State and local governments were established, staff would prioritize the projects and

apply for funds accordingly.

Commissioner Rolle asked if a model would be established for the use of these federal funds. He noted he understood that no goals could be attached to federal dollars.

Assistant County Manager Torriente noted staff was working with the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to closely monitor this legislation, interpret the rules, and prepare to apply for the funds appropriately.

Commissioner Rolle asked staff to give consideration to those areas of the County with high unemployment, and to be as inclusive as possible.

Commissioner Gimenez said he understood the Federal Stimulus Package had passed the House and Senate and needed to go to Conference. He questioned what the differences were and what the rules were in terms of State and Local infrastructure projects.

Assistant County Manager Torriente stated she had no knowledge of the differences in the process at this time, but would meet with the OIA Director and the Grants Office later today to work through those same questions.

In response to Commissioner Gimenez' question regarding whether the process included the stimulus package going back before both the House and Senate chambers for final passage, once it went through Conference, Mr. Joe Rasco, OIA Director, noted the rules were that once the stimulus package went through conference, it must go back before both bodies in exactly the same manner, and be voted up or down.

Chairwoman Jordan noted she received information regarding the breakdown of funding for the Children's Trust and Housing. She asked the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs Director to provide her with a report before the February 17 BCC meeting, showing a breakdown of what the House and the Senate recommended in the proposed Federal Stimulus Package, and what was approved at the Conference.

Commissioner Seijas pointed out that no one actually knew the rules yet, but suggested the Commission move forward with approving

legislation urging the Federal Government to distribute as much stimulus funds as possible to local governments. She noted the County would have a tough time accessing those funds once the State received them. Commissioner Seijas noted the County needed to be supportive of Senator Boxer's proposed Bill supporting funding for local projects. She also noted the Federal government needed to know that the County had many projects planned and ready for implementation.

Chairwoman Jordan asked Assistant County Attorney Libhaber to prepare the appropriate legislation urging the Federal Government to allocate funding from the Federal Stimulus Package directly to local county governments and municipalities. Commissioner Gimenez asked that this legislation include urging Congress to allocate as much block grants as possible to local governments.

Commissioner Seijas suggested that Senator Boxer and Indiana Representative Peter Visclosky be made aware of this resolution, since both supported legislation providing as much funding as possible to local governments.

Chairwoman Jordan asked Mr. Rasco to provide her with the breakdown list she requested, as soon as possible, since some of the allocations would be formula driven based on category and population. She said she was very encouraged to see the breakdown for Public Housing recommending \$5 million to improve public housing infrastructure.

Responding to Commissioner Gimenez inquiry whether the stimulus package would provide for any block grants or was it all formula driven, Assistant County Manager Torriente said she thought the stimulus package would provide a combination of loans and grants for both the State and County; and it was anticipated that the County would receive some Energy Efficiency Block Grants.

In response to Commissioner Gimenez' question regarding whether the stimulus package would be approved prior to the County Commissioners' arrival in Washington D.C. for the D.C. Fly-in, Mr. Rasco noted the process would continue after the passage of the stimulus package, since some new programs would need to be developed; however, some block grants would be distributed

directly to state and local governments.

Chairwoman Jordan clarified that block grants were formula driven and usually came through the State first.

Commissioner Gimenez clarified he wanted to urge the Federal government to distribute as much money as possible to the County, quickly, for the County to determine the best use of it.

In response to Commissioner Edmonson's question whether this resolution could be addressed at the Board of County Commissions Special Meeting to be held on Friday, February 13, 2009, Assistant County Attorney Libhaber noted the action to waive this item to the Special Meeting agenda would require approval by both the Committee and BCC Chairs, and would be subject to the 4-day rule.

Chairwoman Jordan said she would request the BCC Chair to waive this item on to the February 13 BCC Special Meeting agenda.

Upon conclusion of the discussion, the Committee forwarded the foregoing proposed resolution to the County Commission with a favorable recommendation with committee amendment(s) to reflect "President Barak Obama" in the fifth WHERE AS clause on handwritten page 3 of this resolution, in lieu of "President-Elect Barak Obama."

Later in the meeting, Assistant County Attorney Libhaber advised the Committee that this resolution could not be added to the Special Meeting agenda scheduled for February 13, 2009 because a special meeting was bound by the way it was advertised.

Chairwoman Jordan said she thought an item could be added to an agenda if twenty-four (24) hour notice was given to the public. She noted she considered this issue an emergency.

Assistant County Attorney Libhaber noted an item could be calendared assuming the BCC Chair received the sufficient number of signatures pursuant to the rules, but a 24-hour notice would be required from the time the Clerk of the Board received the signatures before the item was heard.

Chairwoman Jordan asked Assistant County Attorney Libhaber to prepare the appropriate memorandum for signatures before the close of business today. She said she felt they needed to try.

Later in the meeting, Commissioner Gimenez noted he just received word that the House and Senate reached an agreement on the stimulus package, therefore, it would not be necessary to forward this resolution to the February 13 Special Meeting.

Chairwoman Jordan concurred that the action requesting this item be added to the February 13 Special Meeting agenda would be moot at this time.

SUPP. 2A

090333 Report

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT ON THE FEDERAL STIMULUS PACKAGE (SEE LEGISTAR FILE NOS. 083615 AND 083682)

Amended

Report: *(See Agenda Item 2A Supplement; Legislative File No. 090449 for the amended version)*

2A SUPP. AMENDED

090449 Supplement

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT RE: THE FEDERAL STIMULUS PACKAGE [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 090333]

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation as amended

Report: *The Committee forwarded the forgoing supplemental report with a favorable recommendation as amended to correct a scrivener's error in Attachment B, handwritten page 15, under the heading "Proposed Capital Projects for FY2008-09 Federal Stimulus Package" to reflect \$15 million for the Water and Sewer Efficiency and Retrofit Program in lieu of \$1.5 million.*

2B

090261 Resolution Dennis C. Moss

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE TERMS OF AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR THE MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE A BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND GRANT AGREEMENT WITH GOLD COAST RAILROAD MUSEUM, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$489,132 TO FUND THE EXTENSION OF THE MUSEUM'S TRACK SYSTEM AND THE ADDITION OF ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT

Amended

Report: *(See Agenda Item 2B Amended; Legislative File No. 090349 for the amended version.)*

2B AMENDED

090349 Resolution Dennis C. Moss

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE TERMS OF AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR THE MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE A BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND GRANT AGREEMENT WITH GOLD COAST RAILROAD MUSEUM, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$489,132 TO FUND THE EXTENSION OF THE MUSEUM'S TRACK SYSTEM AND THE ADDITION OF ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT
[SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 090261]

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

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Monica Rizo noted a scrivener's error existing in the fourth line of the last paragraph, handwritten page 4, that should be corrected to delete the phrase "attached hereto as Exhibit A" and insert the language "approved by this Board pursuant to Resolution No. R-595-05, with the exception of site control as more fully set forth herein."*

The foregoing proposed resolution was forwarded to the County Commissioners with a favorable recommendation with committee amendments to delete the phrase "attached hereto as Exhibit A" from the fourth line in the last paragraph on handwritten page 4, and insert the following language "...approved by this Board pursuant to Resolution No. R-595-05, with the exception of site control as more fully set forth herein...."

2C

090099 Resolution Barbara J. Jordan

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CO-DESIGNATION OF NW 22ND PLACE FROM NW 143RD STREET TO BURLINGTON STREET AS SUSIE M. YOUNG PLACE IN THE CITY OF OPA-LOCKA

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Jordan
Seconder: Edmonson
Vote: 4-0
Absent: Sorenson, Seijas

Report: Assistant County Attorney Bruce Libhaber read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.

Chairwoman Jordan relinquished the Chair to Vice-Chairman Gimenez.

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

2D

090100 Resolution Barbara J. Jordan

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CO-DESIGNATION OF CODADAD STREET FROM JANN AVENUE TO ALI-BABA AVENUE IN THE CITY OF OPA-LOCKA AS "THE HONORABLE BRIAN HOOTEN STREET"

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Jordan
Seconder: Edmonson
Vote: 4-0
Absent: Sorenson, Seijas

Report: Assistant County Attorney Bruce Libhaber read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.

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

2E

090101 Resolution Barbara J. Jordan

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CO-DESIGNATION OF NW 22ND COURT FROM NW 143RD STREET TO BURLINGTON STREET IN THE CITY OF OPA-LOCKA AS DORETHA J. PARKER COURT

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Jordan
Seconder: Rolle
Vote: 4-0
Absent: Sorenson, Seijas

Report: Assistant County Attorney Bruce Libhaber read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.

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

2F

083682 Resolution**Dorrin D. Rolle**

RESOLUTION URGING CONGRESS TO ACT QUICKLY TO PASS AN ECONOMIC STIMULUS PACKAGE THAT INCLUDES LOCAL GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Rolle

Seconder: Edmonson

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Sorenson, Seijas

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

Chairwoman Jordan resumed the Chair.

Commissioner Rolle asked that this item be waived to the next BCC meeting, and included as part of the stimulus package.

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

NOTE: Chairwoman Jodan submitted a memorandum dated February 11, 2009, requesting the Board of County Commissioner (BCC) Chairman Moss to waive the Committee rules and procedures and allow the foregoing resolution to be forwarded to the February 17 BCC meeting for consideration.

2G

090231 Resolution Dennis C. Moss,

Sally A. Heyman, Barbara J. Jordan, Dorrin D. Rolle
 RESOLUTION URGING THE OBAMA
 ADMINISTRATION AND CONGRESS TO RETHINK THE
 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S APPROACH TO FUNDING
 TRANSIT AND TAKE A NEW APPROACH THAT HAS
 THE GOAL OF FACILITATING THE EXPANSION OF
 MASS TRANSIT IN THE INTEREST OF THE
 ENVIRONMENT, IMPROVED ECONOMIC EFFICIENCY
 THROUGH REDUCED TRAFFIC CONGESTION, AND
 LOWER RELIANCE ON FOREIGN OIL

*Forwarded to BCC with a
 favorable recommendation*

Mover: Gimenez

Seconder: Edmonson

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Sorenson, Seijas

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

*Chairwoman Jordan asked to be listed as a co-
 sponsor of this item.*

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

3 DEPARTMENTS

3A

083624 Resolution
 RESOLUTION DECLARING SURPLUS COUNTY-
 OWNED PROPERTY LOCATED AT EAST 25TH STREET
 AND EAST 6TH AVENUE, HIALEAH; AUTHORIZING
 THE PUBLIC SALE OF SAME TO THE HIGHEST
 BIDDER; WAIVING ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 8-4 AS
 IT RELATES TO REVIEW BY THE PLANNING
 ADVISORY BOARD; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY
 MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO TAKE
 ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ACCOMPLISH THE
 SALE OF SAID PROPERTY; AND AUTHORIZING
 EXECUTION OF A COUNTY DEED FOR SUCH
 PURPOSE (General Services Administration Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a
 favorable recommendation*

Mover: Edmonson

Seconder: Gimenez

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Sorenson, Seijas

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

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

3B

090196 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA FOR THE PROVISION OF A PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SERVICE (Miami-Dade Transit Agency)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Gimenez
Seconder: Edmonson
Vote: 4-0
Absent: Sorenson, Seijas

Report: *Note: Pursuant to the County Manager's Memorandum of Changes to the Transit, Infrastructure and Roads Committee, dated January 22, 2009, a scrivener's error previously existing in the foregoing proposed resolution, on handwritten page 2, second bullet from the bottom, was corrected to indicate the Doral Circulator System was currently comprised of two trolleys, instead of one.*

Assistant County Attorney Bruce Libhaber read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.

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

3C

083636 Resolution

RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE ACTIONS, AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 2-10.4 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY IN APPROVING AGREEMENTS FOR CONTINUING SERVICES UNDER THE COUNTY'S EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM (Office of Capital Improvements)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Gimenez

Seconder: Edmonson

Vote: 5-0

Absent: Sorenson

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

Commissioner Rolle asked the Office of Capital Improvements (OIC) Director to provide him with a report evaluating the firms listed in this initiative before this resolution was considered by the BCC.

Mr. Johnny Martinez, Director, Office of Capital Improvements, advised he was working with each related department to ensure those evaluations were provided.

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

3D

090079 Resolution

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE "ADOPT-A-TREE PROGRAM CANOPY RESTORATION PLAN" APPROVED PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION NO. R-97-01 (Office of Capital Improvements)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Gimenez

Seconder: Edmonson

Vote: 5-0

Absent: Sorenson

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

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

3E

090255 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF CHARTER COUNTY TRANSIT SYSTEM SURTAX (SURTAX) AS A FUNDING SOURCE FOR THE PURCHASE OF GOODS AND SERVICES (Procurement Management Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Gimenez
Seconder: Edmonson
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Sorenson

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

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

3F

083664 Resolution

RESOLUTION GRANTING PETITION TO CLOSE A PORTION OF NE 215 STREET, BEGINNING APPROXIMATELY 105 FEET WEST OF NE 12 AVENUE, WEST FOR APPROXIMATELY 665 FEET (ROAD CLOSING PETITION NO. P-865) (Public Works Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Edmonson
Seconder: Gimenez
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Sorenson

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

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

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083672 Resolution

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING CONVEYANCES OF VARIOUS PROPERTY INTERESTS FOR ROAD PURPOSES TO MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA (Public Works Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Gimenez
Seconder: Edmonson
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Sorenson

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

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

3H

090134 Resolution

RESOLUTION GRANTING PETITION TO CLOSE SW 246 TERRACE, FROM SW 128 AVENUE TO SW 129 AVENUE (ROAD CLOSING PETITION NO. P-868) (Public Works Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Edmonson
Seconder: Gimenez
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Sorenson

Report: *During consideration of changes to today's agenda, Assistant County Attorney Bruce Libhaber requested a scrivener's error existing throughout this resolution and related County Manager's memorandum be corrected to replace each occurrence of the word "JACK" with the word "JAC."*

Assistant County Attorney Bruce Libhaber read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.

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

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090135 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT AWARD RECOMMENDATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$577,500.00 BETWEEN QUALITY PAVING CORP. AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FOR THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) PROJECT ENTITLED INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT CONTRACT (PROJECT CICC 7040-0/07 REQUEST TO ADVERTISE (RPQ) NO. 20080223) (Public Works Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Gimenez
Seconder: Edmonson
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Sorenson

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

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

3J

090140 Resolution

RESOLUTION GRANTING PETITION TO CLOSE PORTIONS OF SW 164 AVENUE, FROM SW 215 STREET TO SW 216 STREET; SW 215 STREET, FROM SW 164 AVENUE TO ALI COGIA CIRCLE; ALI COGIA CIRCLE, FROM SW 215 STREET TO SW 216 STREET; AND THE ALLEY NORTH OF SW 216 STREET, FROM SW 164 AVENUE TO ALI COGIA CIRCLE (ROAD CLOSING PETITION NO. P-857) (Public Works Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Edmonson

Seconder: Gimenez

Vote: 5-0

Absent: Sorenson

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

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

3K

090141 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A JOINT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$133,321 BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO FUND THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PORTION OF THE NORTH LINE CANAL ADJACENT TO STATE ROAD 826 AND STATE ROAD 836 INTERCHANGE; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE THE PROVISIONS THEREIN (Public Works Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Gimenez

Seconder: Rolle

Vote: 5-0

Absent: Sorenson

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

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

3L

090142 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT AWARD RECOMMENDATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$577,500.00 BETWEEN KAILAS CORP. AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FOR THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) PROJECT ENTITLED INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT CONTRACT (PROJECT CICC 7040-0/07 REQUEST TO ADVERTISE (RPQ) NO. 20080210) (Public Works Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Gimenez
Seconder: Edmonson
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Sorenson

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

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

3M

090144 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CONSTRUCTION OF INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS ALONG OLD CUTLER ROAD (Public Works Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Gimenez
Seconder: Edmonson
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Sorenson

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

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

3N

090198 Resolution

RESOLUTION GRANTING PETITION TO CLOSE A PORTION OF NW 87 AVENUE, BEGINNING APPROXIMATELY 513 FEET NORTH OF NW 171 TERRACE, NORTH FOR APPROXIMATELY 329 FEET (ROAD CLOSING PETITION NO. P-869) (Public Works Department)

Deferred to next committee meeting

Mover: Seijas

Second: Gimenez

Vote: 5-0

Absent: Sorenson

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

It was moved by Commissioner Edmonson that this resolution be forwarded to the County Commission with a favorable recommendation. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Gimenez for a discussion.

Commissioner Seijas noted this project was located in both Commission Districts 12 and 13, and she had a problem identifying the name and locations of the roads being closed. She noted this item appeared to reference a piece of land rather than a road.

Ms. Esther Calas, Public Works Department Director, noted the portion of roadway being closed was 15 feet of excess right-of-way that was not needed, and would be added to the adjacent parcel of land. She noted this was part of the 87th Avenue project, which required only 40 feet of right-of-way on that side of the roadway.

In response to Commissioner Seijas' question why this piece of land was being given away while the project was still under design and prior to the construction being completed, Ms. Calas noted it was determined in the master design plan for the 87th Avenue project that only 80 feet was needed for the width of the roadway (40 feet on each side), and the subject parcel was an additional 15 feet of excess right-of-way that was not needed for this project based on the current master plan.

Commissioner Seijas noted her concern was having to make a decision before the design was completed, and possibly finding out later that the right-of-way was needed, causing the County to buy back the parcel of land at a greater cost. She asked that this item be deferred to the next committee meeting for staff to provide more information and clarity.

Following discussion, the Committee proceeded to vote on a motion to defer.

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090199 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT AWARD RECOMMENDATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,398,590.76 BETWEEN TRIANGLE ASSOCIATES, INC. AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PROJECT ENTITLED VENETIAN CAUSEWAY BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, LOCATED WITHIN COMMISSION DISTRICTS 3 AND 4 (PROJECT NO. E07-PW-02; CONTRACT NO. 20070661) (Public Works Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Edmonson
Seconder: Seijas
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Sorenson

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

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

3P

090182 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY (COUNTY) AND THE CITY OF SUNNY ISLES BEACH (CITY) FOR THE FUNDING OF LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS ALONG COLLINS AVENUE FROM 186 STREET TO 192 STREET AND AT THE INTERSECTION OF COLLINS AVENUE AND SUNNY ISLES BOULEVARD THROUGH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT) JOINT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT NO. 250610-1-58-01, PURSUANT TO AVAILABLE FUNDING, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$200,000 (Public Works Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

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

It was moved by Commissioner Edmonson that the foregoing proposed resolution be forwarded to the County Commission with a favorable recommendation. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Jordan, and upon being put to a vote, passed 5-0. (Commissioner Sorenson was absent)

Later in the meeting, Assistant County Attorney Bruce Libhaber requested a scrivener's error existing in the title of this resolution be corrected to replace the phrase "192 Street" with the phrase "102 Street."

It was moved by Commissioner Gimenez that the foregoing resolution be reconsidered to correct a scrivener's error. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Rolle, and upon being put to a vote, passed 5-0. (Commissioner Sorenson was absent)

Hearing no further comments or questions, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as corrected.

4 CLERK OF THE BOARD**5 REPORTS**

5A

090167 Report

MONTHLY INVOICING AND DBE STATUS REPORT ON THE PROGRAM MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT (PMC) CONTRACT (County Manager)

Report Received
Mover: Jordan
Seconder: Edmonson
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Sorenson

5B

090169 Report

MONTHLY ORANGE LINE UPDATE (County Manager)

Report Received
Mover: Gimenez
Seconder: Edmonson
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Sorenson

5C

090248 Report

FEASIBILITY OF INSTALLING TIME BOARDS AT CERTAIN BUS SHELTERS IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY (County Manager)

Report Received
Mover: Edmonson
Seconder: Gimenez
Vote: 4-0
Absent: Sorenson, Rolle

5D

083611 Report

MISCELLANEOUS CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT (MCC) NO. CICC 7040-0/07 AND NO. CICC 7360-0/08 QUARTERLY REPORT (County Manager)

Report Received
Mover: Edmonson
Seconder: Jordan
Vote: 4-0
Absent: Sorenson, Rolle

5E

090300 Report

ORAL REPORT RE: PEOPLES TRANSPORTATION PLAN
(PTP) SUMMIT REPORT (County Manager)

Report Received
Mover: Edmonson
Seconder: Gimenez
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Sorenson

Report: *It was moved by Commissioner Edmonson that the foregoing report be received by the Committee. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Gimenez for discussion.*

Chairwoman Jordan noted she intended to have Miami-Dade Transit's (MDT) Director to provide an oral presentation on the People's Transportation Plan (PTP) Summit Report, but withheld the presentation to allow Committee members to ask questions.

Commissioner Gimenez noted he read the Grand Jury's report stating seniors rode transit for free; however, he felt seniors did pay in a sense, since MDT was reimbursed by the PTP for senior ridership, which was promised in the PTP. He questioned whether the Grand Jury was a state or federal grand jury.

Mr. Kapoor noted it was a State Grand Jury.

Commissioner Gimenez noted his concern was information reported that seniors rode for free when, in fact, a promise was made in the PTP that seniors could ride for free and the PTP would bear the cost. He asked what the reimbursement cost was.

Mr. Kapoor noted the PTP still reimbursed Transit as promised in the PTP Pro Forma, and the reimbursement amount was 75 cents per boarding, a small subsidy that did not cover the full boarding costs. He noted the impact would be less if Transit started charging seniors a discount rate based on income, but that was another issue that needed to be discussed.

Commissioner Gimenez stated he felt the appropriate way to resolve the issue would be to charge seniors a certain fare amount and have the PTP reimburse that amount. He questioned how Transit was reimbursed by the PTP when transit charged zero for seniors and Metromover riders. He also questioned if the PTP Ordinance stated

that Transit would be reimbursed a certain amount per rider by the PTP.

Mr. Kapoor noted the details of the PTP reimbursement costs for both the Metrorail Golden and Patriot passes and the Metromover riders were included in the budget.

In response to Commissioner Gimenez' question regarding what the current reimbursement rate was for seniors riding Metrorail and Metromover boarders; and what the rate was prior to the passage of the PTP, Mr. David Clodfelter, Chief of Budget, Audit and Reporting, Miami Dade Transit, noted the current reimbursement rate was 14 cents per boarder. He further noted the reimbursement rate was initially 25 cents; however, during the initial negotiations held with the Citizen's Independent Transportation Trust (CITT), it was discussed that PTP paid double because most people riding the Metrorail were boarding the Metromover as well, so the rate was reduced to 14 cents, in lieu of 25 cents.

Commissioner Gimenez asked if that was because people riding the Metrorail would transfer to Metromover and ride for free without paying a transfer fee, Mr. Clodfelter stated that was correct.

Commissioner Gimenez asked if the Smart Card would differentiate between a transfer and a paying customer, Mr. Kapoor noted the Smart Card vending machines would not be installed at the Metromover boarding stations because the cost was too expensive, but the gates would remain to count the boarders. He noted the policy remained the same to allow Metromover boarders to ride for free, but the riders would be counted through the gates.

Assistant County Manager Ysela Llort noted the real concern in the PTP report was not free ridership, but the degree of subsidy. She noted, currently, no method existed for offsetting the rising costs of operation and maintenance (O&M). She concurred that the framework set up for both the Metrorail Golden and Patriot Passports and the Metromover were promises made in the PTP and both items were paid within the PTP ordinance. However, the issue described in the report was whether those policies should be revisited in an attempt to provide quality transit services, and to determine what the tradeoffs

would be. She noted the subsidy level on both items needed to be debated while looking at right sizing the transit system. Ms. Llori pointed out the need to decide whether to keep the current level of services; diminish future services, and go forward with the expansion program.

Commissioner Gimenez noted he was concerned by the reality of Transit's operational costs and the philosophical belief that the government should abide by the promises it made.

In response to Chairwoman Jordan's question regarding whether the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) subsidized for seniors riding transit for free prior to the passage of the PTP, Mr. Clodfelter noted there was no direct subsidy linked to seniors, but the Federal Government subsidized transit operations through several grants.

Chairwoman Jordan questioned if there was anywhere in the nationwide that subsidized seniors riding transit for free based on a certain income level, or anywhere in the country where all seniors rode for free regardless of income.

Mr. Kapoor noted he believed Illinois was the only state where all seniors rode for free, and were subsidized by the State.

Chairwoman Jordan asked the Transit Director to bring back a report verifying whether the State of Illinois was the only State that subsidized its transit system to allow all seniors to ride for free, or if individual counties within that State subsidized the transit system. She also asked that the report indicate whether maintenance and operation costs were factored in the pro forma used to create the Peoples Transportation Plan (PTP), which stipulated that seniors could ride for free.

In response to Commissioner Edmonson's questions regarding whether MDT planned to lay off some employees soon and eliminate some full service bus routes, Mr. Kapoor noted at the September 18, 2008 Budget Hearing, it was decided that MDT would reduce its bus services from 38 million miles to 32.6 million miles; which was further reduced to 30.5 million miles by June 2009, to balance the budget. He noted each department was directed to cut 3% from its budget, which caused Transit to move this bus

route line-up from June to April to comply, and balance its budget.

Responding to Commissioner Edmonson's question regarding whether MDT would eliminate any full routes, Mr. Kapoor noted no full routes would be eliminated, however, staff was reviewing all routes to adjust the headways of routes not filled to capacity, and would present a new bus route line-up at the March Committee meeting.

In response to Commissioner Edmonson's question whether Transit was experiencing a huge deficit after only five months into the budget, Assistant County Manager Llort noted when the County Commission approved the increase in transit fares, the BCC discussed delaying some service cuts, and made public that some adjustments would need to be made. She pointed out that Mr. Kapoor was speaking about the timeframe in which those adjustments would be made, which needed to be accelerated to April from June to generate some savings. She noted the decrease in services had not changed.

In response to Commissioner Edmonson's question whether MDT planned to eliminate positions while creating new positions not approved in the budget, Mr. Kapoor noted MDT's budget would be reduced by \$2.1 million in April 2009, and new positions, not approved in the budget would not be created. He noted, since last year, MDT had reduced its budget by \$19.7 million and was restructuring its organization from top to bottom.

In response to Commissioner Edmonson's question whether employees laid off would be bumped to other positions, Mr. Kapoor noted the positions to be eliminated were all operations positions, and MDT would be working with the Human Resources Department to relocate (pipeline) those employees to other positions.

In response to Commissioner Seijas' inquiry regarding the unexpected 3% cut, Mr. Kapoor noted Transit could either reduce the bus services or adjust the routes.

Discussion ensued regarding whether MDT had considered a 3% reduction in its Administrative salaries as part of the solution.

Following discussion, it was moved by

Commissioner Seijas that the County Manager be directed to explore a 3% reduction in County Administrative salaries across the board exceeding \$125,000. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Gimenez for discussion.

Commissioner Gimenez noted he believed next year's budget would be a tough budget to balance, and suggested County Administrative salaries be reduced with unpaid furloughs as the School Board Superintendent did. He said he preferred to see those kinds of measures being implemented rather than putting people out on the street. He noted he would be supportive of a 3% reduction in salary; or a 3% furlough program; or using attrition to reorganize the department to generate some savings.

Commissioner Seijas accepted Commissioner Gimenez suggestions as an amendment to her motion.

Chairwoman Jordan clarified the motion was to direct the County Manager to explore attrition and furlough programs, and a 3% cut in salaries for all County employees earning in excess of \$125,000.

The Committee proceeded to vote on the forgoing motion, and upon being put to a vote, passed unanimously by those members present.

Commissioner Rolle noted he was not opposed to the intent of the foregoing motion, but preferred the Manager explore the best alternatives to help MDT and only provide a report on the feasibility of imposing salary cuts across the board, since some departments were proprietary departments, not subsidized as was Transit.

In response to Assistant County Attorney Libhaber request for clarification as to whether the intent of the motion was to direct the County Manager to provide a report or a resolution, Chairwoman Jordan noted she thought the Committee wanted to direct the County Manager to explore the salaries of the entire county employees making in excess of \$125,000 and to come back before the Board to set policy that would provide Transit with additional monies.

Commissioner Seijas clarified she was only asking that the County Manager make an evaluation and provide this committee with a report, which would

address Commissioner Rolle's concern.

090631 Report

NON-AGENDA REPORTS FOR THE 02/11/2009
TRANSIT, INFRASTRUCTURE & ROADS COMMITTEE

Report: *Chairwoman Jordan asked the Agenda
Coordination Department Director to include a
heading for "Additional Discussion Items" on
future committee agendas.*

6 ADJOURNMENT

Report: *There being no further business to come before
this Board, the Transit, Infrastructure and Roads
Committee meeting was adjourned at 4:06 p.m.*


Barbara J. Jordan, Chair



Transit, Infrastructure and Roads Committee

February 11, 2009

Prepared by: Jill Thornton

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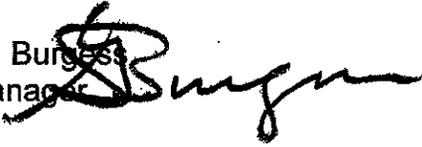
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1	02/11/2009		County Manager's Memorandum re: Changes to Agenda
2	02/11/2009		Memo filed by Commissioner Sorenson explaining her absence from today's TIRC meeting.
7	02/11/2009		Chairperson Jordan's Memorandum request for waiver of Item 2F to the February 17, 2009 BCC Meeting agenda
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Memorandum



Date: February 11, 2009

To: Honorable Chairperson and Members
Transit, Infrastructure & Roads Committee

From: George M. Burgess
County Manager 

Subject: Requested Changes to the
Transit, Infrastructure & Roads Committee
Agenda

Additions

SUPP. 2A

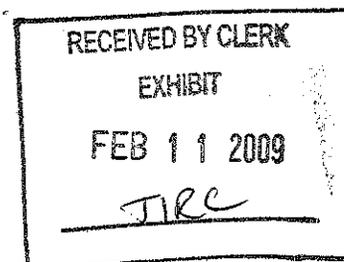
090333 SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT ON THE FEDERAL STIMULUS PACKAGE
(SEE LEGISTAR FILE NOS. 083615 AND 083682)

Scrivener's Errors

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090196 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN INTERLOCAL
AGREEMENT BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND THE CITY OF
DORAL, FLORIDA FOR THE PROVISION OF A PUBLIC
TRANSPORTATION SERVICE (Miami-Dade Transit Agency)

Note: *On handwritten page 2, second bullet from the bottom should be corrected to indicate that the Doral Circulator System is currently comprised of two trolleys instead of one.*





MEMORANDUM
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

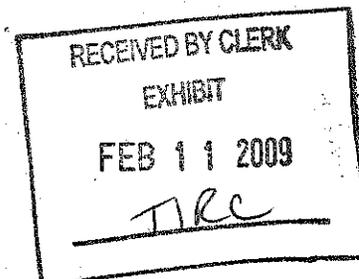
TO: Honorable Barbara Jordan, Chair DATE: February 9, 2009
Transit, Infrastructure and Roads Committee

FROM: Katy Sorenson SUBJECT: Absence from Transit
County Commissioner, District 8 Committee Meeting

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Katy Sorenson", is written over a horizontal line.

I will be unable to attend the Transit Committee meeting scheduled for Wednesday, February 11, 2009 due to a previously scheduled commitment.

C: Honorable Dennis C. Moss, Chairman
And Members of the Board of County Commissioners
Kay Sullivan, Clerk of the Board
Robert Cuevas, County Attorney
Ysela Llort, Assistant County Manager
Bruce Libhaber, Assistant County Attorney



Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE
COUNTY

Date: February 11, 2009

To: Honorable Barbara Jordan, Chairperson
Transit Infrastructure and Roads Committee

Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss
Board of County Commissioners

From: Honorable Dorrin D. Rolle, Chairperson
Airport and Seaport Committee



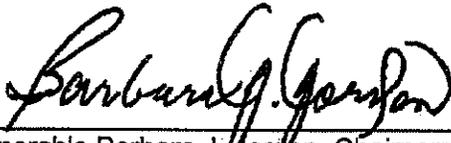
Subject: Item 2F
Waiver to the February 17, 2008 Board of County Commissioners Meeting

The item below requires timely action. I respectfully request that this item be waived on to the next available Board of County Commissioners meeting on February 17, 2009.

RESOLUTION URGING CONGRESS TO ACT QUICKLY TO PASS AN ECONOMIC STIMULUS PACKAGE THAT INCLUDES LOCAL GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING

- This item impacts federal legislation.

Thank you for your consideration. By virtue of the signature below, this request is approved:



Honorable Barbara J. Jordan, Chairperson
Transit, Infrastructure and Roads Committee



Approved
Honorable Dennis C. Moss
Board of County Commissioners

c: Robert Cuevas, County Attorney
Ysela Llort, Assistant County Manager
Dianne Davis, Agenda Coordinator

