



**MIAMI-DADE COUNTY**  
**FINAL OFFICIAL**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**Board of County Commissioners**  
*Stephen P. Clark Government Center*  
*111 N.W. 1st Street*  
*Miami, FL 33128*

Thursday, March 19, 2009  
As Advertised

Harvey Ruvlin, Clerk  
Board of County Commissioners

Kay Sullivan, Director  
Clerk of the Board Division

Judy Marsh, Commission Reporter,  
(305) 375-1967



**Members Present:** Jose "Pepe" Diaz; Audrey M. Edmonson; Carlos A. Gimenez;  
Dennis C. Moss; Dorrin Rolle; Natacha Seijas; Katy Sorenson;  
Rebeca Sosa; Javier D. Souto

**Members Absent:** Bruno Barreiro; Sally A. Heyman; Barbara J. Jordan; Joe A.  
Martinez

**Members Late:** None.

**Members Excused:** None.

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**Members Absent County Business:** None.

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**1**      **MINUTES PREPARED BY:**

**Report:** *Judy Marsh, Commission Reporter,*  
*(305) 375-1967*

**1A**      **MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**1B**      **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**1C**      **ROLL CALL**

**5**      **PUBLIC HEARINGS (SCHEDULED FOR 9:30 A.M.)**

5B

**083266 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE DESIGNATION OF A 3.42-ACRE VACANT PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED AT 11101 – 11162 S.W. 87 COURT, AS THE FUTURE KILLIAN LIBRARY PARK SITE IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 33-303 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY [SEE AGENDA ITEM NO. 8F1A] (General Services Administration Department)

*Adopted  
Resolution R-316-09  
Mover: Katy Sorenson  
Seconder: Jose "Pepe" Diaz  
Vote: 8-0  
Absent: Jordan, Heyman,  
Barreiro, Martinez, Seijas*

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

*Chairman Moss opened the public hearing and the following individuals appeared before the Board:*

*Mr. Herminio San Roman, 500 South Dixie Highway, attorney representing the property owner, 8701 Southwest, LLC, appeared in support of the foregoing proposed resolution. He acknowledged Co-counsel Emil Infante. Mr. San Roman expressed appreciation to staff for their efforts regarding the proposed Killian Library Park and urged the Board to approve this proposed resolution.*

*Ms. Carla Savola, 7410 S.W. 82 Court, member, Community Council 12, appeared in support of the proposed Killian Library Park. She expressed appreciation to the Park and Recreation Department's staff for listening to the neighbors' concerns. Ms. Savola asked that in the event the Park and Recreation Department had sufficient funds to purchase the subject property, the property be utilized solely as a park rather than as a library and a park*

*Hearing no one else wishing to speak before the Board, Chairman Moss closed the public hearing.*

*It was moved by Commissioner Sorenson that the foregoing proposed resolution be approved. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Diaz.*

*Concerning the maintenance of the proposed library site, Mr. Howard Gregg, Deputy Director, Office of Planning and Development, Park and Recreation Department, said the Department would be responsible for maintaining the property's landscaping until the library was built. He noted operating costs were minimal and the Department would cooperate with the Miami-Dade Public Library System. Mr. Gregg pointed out the project's timeline was tied to development of the library.*

*Regarding the timeline for this proposed library, Mr. Raymond Santiago, Director, Miami-Dade Public Library System, said the design would be developed in 2011-12 with groundbreaking towards the end of that fiscal year.*

*Hearing no other questions or comments, the Board by motion duly made, seconded and carried, voted to adopt the foregoing proposed resolution.*

**12/2/2008** Carried over by the Board of County Commissioners  
**12/4/2008** Deferred by the Board of County Commissioners  
**3/17/2009** Carried over by the Board of County Commissioners

**8 DEPARTMENTAL ITEMS****8F GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION**

8F1A

**090604 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT FOR SALE AND PURCHASE, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,100,000, BETWEEN 8701 SOUTHWEST, LLC, A FLORIDA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, AS SELLER, AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, AS BUYER OF APPROXIMATELY 3.42-ACRES OF VACANT PROPERTY LOCATED AT 11101 – 11162 S.W. 87 COURT, MIAMI, FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE KILLIAN LIBRARY PARK; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ANY AND ALL RIGHTS CONFERRED THEREIN [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 0823154][SEE AGENDA ITEM NO. 5B] (General Services Administration Department)

*Adopted*  
**Resolution R-317-09**  
**Mover: Katy Sorenson**  
**Seconder: Natacha Seijas**  
**Vote: 9- 0**  
**Absent: Jordan, Heyman,**  
**Barreiro, Martinez**

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

Commissioner Seijas commended staff and the parties involved in the contract negotiations.

Hearing no other questions or comments, the Board by motion duly made, seconded and carried, voted to adopt the foregoing proposed resolution.

3/17/2009 Carried over by the Board of County Commissioners

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**090801 Report**

ALLOCATION OF (FY) 2008/09 DISTRICT DISCRETIONARY RESERVE FUNDS (DISTRICT 12)

*Approved*  
**Mover: Jose "Pepe" Diaz**  
**Seconder: Dennis C. Moss**  
**Vote: 9- 0**  
**Absent: Jordan, Heyman,**  
**Barreiro, Martinez**

**Report:** The following funding allocations were made from fiscal year (FY) 2008/09 District 12 Discretionary Reserve funds as requested by Vice-Chairman Diaz.

\$4,939.20 to Cruise for Critters  
 \$2,000 to Hands in Action  
 \$10,000 to After-School All-Stars  
 \$2,500 to 2009 Christopher Columbus Memorial  
 \$2,500 to ENLACE  
 \$1,000 to Read 2 Succeed

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**090802 Report**

ALLOCATION OF (FY) 2008/09 OFFICE BUDGET FUNDS  
(DISTRICT 12)

*Approved*  
*Mover: Jose "Pepe" Diaz*  
*Seconder: Dennis C. Moss*  
*Vote: 9- 0*  
*Absent: Jordan, Heyman,*  
*Barreiro, Martinez*

**Report:** *The following funding allocation was made from fiscal year (FY) 2008/09 District 12 Office Budget Funds as requested by Vice-Chairman Diaz.*

*\$136 from Vice-Chairman Diaz's District 12 office budget to reimburse purchasing card expenses related to Ayers Dist. Co., for Pepe's Spring Jam*

**16A SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS (Scheduled for 8:00 a.m.)**

16A1

**090670 Service Awards Dennis C. Moss**

PRESENTATION OF SERVICE AWARDS: *Presented*

- GRACE M. O'DONNELL - MDPD - 35 YEARS
- LAVONT FLANDERS - MDT - 30 YEARS
- DAVID REAVES JR. - MDT - 35 YEARS
- DUTCHIE A. JOHNSON - WASD - 30 YEARS
- MANUEL M. MITRA - WASD - 35 YEARS
- SHAHID QURESHY - WASD - 30 YEARS
- ALEJANDRO M. VIDAL - WASD - 30 YEARS

*3/17/2009 Presented by the Board of County Commissioners*

**16C ZONING AGENDA (SCHEDULED FOR 9:30 A.M.)**

**091910 Report**

## NON-AGENDA ITEM

**Report:** *Commissioner Seijas requested a moment of personal privilege to discuss an issue regarding Commissioners' abilities to represent their constituencies.*

*Commissioner Seijas said federal officials recently visited Miami-Dade County to address Homeland Security and potential financial assistance issues. She noted these meetings provided an important opportunity to ask questions and seek clarification on issues. Commissioner Seijas mentioned that she did not attend these meetings since she was led to believe that when County Commission members met with officials from other public agencies they were required to adhere to the Sunshine Law.*

*Referring to Vice President Biden's recent visit to Miami, Commissioner Seijas said she was surprised to see a press release regarding meeting(s) with Vice President Biden, Chairman Moss and some County Commission members. She noted it was her understanding that the Sunshine Law applied to these meeting(s), and requested all commissioners receive the same information. Commissioner Seijas said if the Sunshine Law provided that only the County Commission Chair could represent the Commission in briefings with dignitaries, that should be followed.*

*Commissioner Seijas asked the County Attorney to come back with an opinion clarifying exactly when the Sunshine Law was applicable or inapplicable to meetings between the Chairman and County Commission members and other public agencies. She also recommended soliciting suggestions on how to address these issues when the Sunshine Law applies by ensuring the Communications Department properly advertised those meetings in a manner that complied with the Sunshine Law requirement, or publish the Chairman's meeting calendar in its entirety.*

*Chairman Moss noted Sunshine Law concerns occurred when last-minute invitations to attend events did not allow sufficient advertising time. He noted the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs submitted all commissioners' names to the White House regarding Vice President Biden's visit and White House staff decided who would attend.*

*Chairman Moss concurred with Commissioner Seijas' request for clarification on the Sunshine Law.*

**19****ADJOURNMENT**



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Dennis C. Moss, Chairman

ATTEST: HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK



By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kay Sullivan, Deputy Clerk