

**MIAMI-DADE COUNTY  
FINAL OFFICIAL MINUTES  
Housing and Community Development Committee  
(HCDC)**

**Board of County Commissioners**

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### Housing & Community Development Committee

Audrey M. Edmonson (3) Chair; Barbara J. Jordan (1) Vice Chair; Commissioners Joe A. Martinez (11), Dorrin D. Rolle (2), Katy Sorenson (8) and Javier D. Souto (10)

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Wednesday, April 15, 2009

9:30 AM

COMMISSION CHAMBERS

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**Members Present:** Audrey M. Edmonson, Barbara J. Jordan, Joe A. Martinez, Dorrin D. Rolle, Katy Sorenson, Javier D. Souto.

**Members Absent:** None.

**Members Late:** None.

**Members Excused:** None.

**Members Absent County Business:** None.

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#### 1 MINUTES PREPARED BY:

**Report:** *Mary Smith-York, Commission Reporter  
(305) 375-1598*

#### 1A INVOCATION

**Report:** *Chairwoman Edmonson asked everyone to observe a moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.*

#### 1B 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 Clerks Doris Dickens and Mary Smith-York.*

**1D**      **OPENING REMARKS FROM  
CHAIRPERSON EDMONSON**

**Report:** *Chairwoman Edmonson welcomed her colleagues and all attendees to today's (4/15) meeting. She noted during her Sunshine meeting with BCC Chairman Dennis Moss, it was agreed that Miami-Dade Housing Agency (MDHA) and the Community Action Agency's (CAA) Head Start Program would fall under this Committee's jurisdiction. Pursuant to the outcome of that discussion, Chairwoman Edmonson asked that monthly reports of the MDHA and the CAA Head Start Program be added to future Committee agendas, following the public hearings. She also asked that reports for these agencies be added to today's (4/15) agenda. Chairwoman Edmonson noted she felt any discussion on the budget priorities would be futile at this time; however, she noted a grid highlighting the priorities of each Committee member would be distributed to the respective commissioners.*

*Following Chairwoman Edmonson's remarks, Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks noted in addition to the changes reflected in the County Manager's Memorandum, entitled "Requested Changes to the Housing & Community Development Committee Agenda," agenda items 7A, 7B, and 7C would be considered directly following the public hearings, as requested by Chairwoman Edmonson..*

*It was moved by Commissioner Sorenson that today's agenda be accepted as amended with the proposed changes as presented by Assistant County Attorney Johnson-Stacks. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Jordan, and upon being put to a vote, passed by a vote of 5-0 (Commissioner Souto was absent).*

**1E**      **DISCUSSION ITEM(S)**

1E1

**091043 Discussion Item**

" DISCUSSION/ ADOPTION OF FY 2009-2010 BUDGET  
PRIORITIES PURSUANT TO SEC. 2-1795 OF THE CODE"

*Deferred to May 13, 2009*

**Report:** *The foregoing discussion item was deferred to May 13, 2009, to allow Committee members adequate time to review and prioritize the list of priorities contained within the grid mentioned by Chairwoman Edmonson earlier. (See report under agenda item 1D).*

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

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1F1

090784 Citizen's

CITIZEN'S PRESENTATION RE: THE INFILL HOUSING AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM BY MR. ISAAC SIMHON

*Presented*

**Report:** *Commissioner Jordan briefly explained why she requested Mr. Isaac Simhon to present his concerns regarding the infill and affordable housing programs.*

*Mr. Isaac Simhon, 2101 N.E. 208th Street, Miami, appeared before the Committee in opposition to this proposed resolution and submitted copies of an affordability study for the record. He noted, as a developer, he had developed and provided affordable housing with the Infill Housing Program (Program) in this community for 13 years. He spoke in opposition to proposed changes to the Program guidelines and asked that this Committee reconsider those changes. Mr. Simhon explained that previously, as long as the restrictions were listed on the deed and the guidelines followed, anyone could sell private property to the Program. He noted, however, this was changed to now require developers to build houses on vacant lots in order to be sold into the Program. He further noted this defeated the purpose of the Program because it limited the number of properties developers could bring into the affordable housing for the program, which reduced the number of sales that could be made. Mr. Simhon also addressed the issue of the change in the front-end ratio from approximately 38 percent for a mortgage to 21 percent. He stated, even with today's tough economic challenges and high rate of foreclosures, the affordable housing industry had not experienced such problems. Mr. Simhon noted, regarding families in the affordable housing program, only about one half percent were in foreclosure; which was evidence that the prior ratio worked. He emphasized the purpose of the affordable housing program was to assist families move into homeownership versus renting, which would be very difficult with the lower ratio. Mr. Simhon noted his main issue today was the change in the sales price from \$225,000 to \$205,000 for private property, and \$175,000 for County-owned property. He expressed his support of these prices as a method used by the County to ensure the homeowner, rather than developers, would benefit from these properties. Mr. Simhon noted he felt this purpose could be achieved by*

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alternative methods, other than changing the sale price to \$175,000, which would drive the value of houses down. He noted the sales price for private property was reduced by \$20,000 to \$205,000, and explained that since the industry built approximately 40 to 50 houses per year, this reduced price would be a considerable loss. He further explained that he sold approximately ten (10) houses per year, for which he was considered to be one of the top sellers among the builders. Mr. Simhon stressed that at ten (10) houses a year, he would not be able to account for his overhead expenses. He suggested the County provide a \$20,000.00 grant to homebuyers to help with a second mortgage of a minimum of \$50,000 and a maximum amount of \$80,000. Mr. Simhon concluded by stating he felt the amount of \$225,000, was a fair price for affordable housing and explained the affordability study he distributed revealed that families at 80 percent, 50 percent, and 30 percent of medium income could afford to purchase a house for \$225,000.

Commissioner Sorenson noted other developers in the industry were facing the same losses as those faced by housing developers, which occurred when the market crashed. She spoke in opposition to Mr. Simhon's request for a \$20,000 bailout. She pointed out that the County had at least fifty (50) homes in the Program that were awaiting sale and that with the current market, there was no need to create houses at \$225,000.

In response to Commissioner Sorenson's question of whether the County had changed its ratio policy to adapt to the banks ratio policy changes, Ms. Shalley Jones Horn noted the current front-end ratio was 29 percent and the back-end ratio was 45 percent. She pointed out that banks were adjusting their policies in terms of credit score; however, they remained flexible when working with the County.

Commissioner Jordan asked the Director of the Office of Community and Economic Development to meet with Mr. Isaac Simhon to discuss the issue of homeowners being forced to rent homes rather than being able to purchase them, and to bring back to her recommendations regarding this concern.

**1G PUBLIC HEARING(S)**

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1G1

**090269 Ordinance** **Barbara J. Jordan**  
ORDINANCE CREATING THE COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY BOARD, SETTING FORTH PURPOSE, COMPOSITION OF BOARD, SPECIFYING POWERS, DUTIES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES, PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND EFFECTIVE DATE *Withdrawn*

**Report:** (SEE AGENDA ITEM 1G1 SUBSTITUTE; LEGISLATIVE FILE NO. 091120).

1G1 SUBSTITUTE

**091120 Ordinance** **Barbara J. Jordan**  
ORDINANCE CREATING THE COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY BOARD, SETTING FORTH PURPOSE, COMPOSITION OF BOARD, SPECIFYING POWERS, DUTIES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES, PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, SUNSET PROVISION AND EFFECTIVE DATE *Amended*

**Report:** (SEE AGENDA ITEM 1G1 SUBSTITUTE AMENDED; LEGISLATIVE FILE NO. 091287.)

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1G1 SUBSTITUTE AMENDED

091287 Ordinance

Barbara J. Jordan

ORDINANCE CREATING THE COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY BOARD, SETTING FORTH PURPOSE, COMPOSITION OF BOARD, SPECIFYING POWERS, DUTIES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES, PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, SUNSET PROVISION AND EFFECTIVE DATE [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 091120]

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

*Mover: Jordan*

*Seconder: Rolle*

*Vote: 5-1*

*No: Martinez*

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

*Chairwoman Edmonson opened the public hearing, and seeing no one appear, she closed the public hearing.*

*Commissioner Jordan provided a brief overview of a previous meeting convened with the Regional Office for Head Start, the Chair of the Board of County Commissioners (BCC), the Mayor, and herself, regarding Head Start and the roles of the Community Action Agency (CAA) Board and the BCC. She noted the BCC was the direct grantee and was responsible for overseeing the Head Start Program; however, the BCC delegated that responsibility, specifically the oversight component for the daily operations of the program, to the CAA Board without any written documentation on the process(es) to be followed. She noted the intent of the foregoing proposed ordinance was to document the rules and procedures required by the Regional Office and to clarify the specific roles of each entity associated with the Head Start Program.*

*Upon concluding the foregoing, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion with the amendment noted.*

*The foregoing proposed ordinance was forwarded to the BCC with a favorable recommendation with committee amendment(s) to include language on handwritten page 17, section (5), providing that the Community Action Agency (CAA) Board be authorized to review and approve contracts and agreements under \$1 million dollars, and be required to forward staff's recommendation to the County Mayor or designee for review and final approval; to provide that the Board of County Commission's approval be required for any recommended changes to service areas or*

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delegate agencies by the CAA Board; and to delete the following language from handwritten page 10, (3), "...and one shall be the Chair or his/her designee of the County's Elderly Program Committee of the Community Action Agency..."

Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks requested the scribes' errors existing in the County Manager's Memorandum, on handwritten page 4, the last two sentences, be corrected to read: "...It also establishes the CAA Board's role as the entity charged with responsibility attendant to the Head Start/Early Head start program as designated by the BCC. This ordinance also responds to governance inquiries raised by the Head Start Federal Review Team in May 2008, during their interview with members of the BCC."

1G2

090439 Ordinance Audrey M. Edmonson

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 17-149 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE COMMUNITY AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGIES ALLIANCE; PROVIDING SAVINGS CLAUSE, SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation  
Mover: Edmonson  
Seconder: Jordan  
Vote: 6-0

Report: Chairwoman Edmonson relinquished the Chair to the Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.

Chairwoman Edmonson opened the public hearing, and closed the public hearing after no one appeared wishing to speak.

After relinquishing the Chair to Vice Chairwoman Jordan, Chairwoman Edmonson noted she felt it appropriate to add representation from the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) to the Community Affordable Housing Strategies Alliance's (CAHSA) membership.

There being no further questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.

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2A

090660 Resolution

Audrey M. Edmonson,

Carlos A. Gimenez

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMISSION  
AUDITOR TO PREPARE QUARTERLY REPORTS TO  
THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ON THE  
BEACON COUNCIL'S USE OF THE EIGHT PER CENT OF  
THE BUSINESS TAX PREVIOUSLY USED BY THE  
METRO-MIAMI ACTION PLAN TRUST

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable  
recommendation*

*Mover: Edmonson*

*Seconder: Martinez*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Souto, Rolle*

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

*There being no questions or comments, the  
Committee proceeded to vote.*

2B

**090849 Resolution Audrey M. Edmonson**

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR THE MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO PREPARE A REPORT TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ON THE ECONOMIC CONDITION OF EACH COMMISSION DISTRICT

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Edmonson*

*Seconder: Martinez*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Souto, Rolle*

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

*In response to Commissioner Sorenson's inquiry as to what method would be used to calculate the unemployment rate, foreclosure rate, property rates, and other necessary measures, Mr. Robert Cruz, Chief Economist for Miami-Dade County, advised that data from the 2000 Census report was currently being used. He further advised, however, that plans to correlate this limited information with other indicators from state agencies were being developed.*

*Chairwoman Edmonson stated she would meet with Mr. Cruz to discuss the approach to gathering the data necessary to prepare this report on the economic condition of each commission district.*

*Commissioner Rolle asked the Chief Economist to assist him with identifying resources that could be used to bailout small businesses in District 2 in need of financial assistance.*

*There being no further questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

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2C

090850 Resolution

Audrey M. Edmonson,

Sally A. Heyman

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR THE MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO PROVIDE QUARTERLY REPORTS TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ON THE STATUS OF ALL AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECTS THAT ARE FUNDED BY MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Edmonson*

*Seconder: Jordan*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Souto*

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

*Chairwoman Edmonson clarified that she was requesting quarterly reports on the status of all affordable housing projects currently open, from this date (4/15) forward.*

*There being no further questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

2D

090645 Resolution

Barbara J. Jordan

RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION R-161-07 TO EXTEND SUBMITTAL DATE FOR THE COMPREHENSIVE HOUSING INTERVENTION AND MASTER PLAN AS RECOMMENDED BY THE COMMUNITY AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGIES ALLIANCE

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Jordan*

*Seconder: Martinez*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: 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.*

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2E

090632 Resolution Joe A. Martinez

RESOLUTION DECLARING EACH NOVEMBER  
"FAMILY MONTH"

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable  
recommendation*

*Mover: Jordan*

*Seconder: Martinez*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: 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.*

2F

090661 Resolution Joe A. Martinez,

Sally A. Heyman

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR MAYOR'S  
DESIGNEE TO REPORT ON THE FEASIBILITY OF  
ESTABLISHING A PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP  
AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM BETWEEN MIAMI-  
DADE COUNTY AND PRIVATE, FOR PROFIT ENTITIES  
TO DEVELOP AND CONSTRUCT AFFORDABLE  
HOUSING FOR THE RESIDENTS OF MIAMI-DADE  
COUNTY; REQUIRING A REPORT FROM THE MAYOR  
OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable  
recommendation*

*Mover: Martinez*

*Seconder: Jordan*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: 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.*

2G

090768 Resolution Joe A. Martinez

RESOLUTION ADDING THE GRAN VIA APARTMENTS  
AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FOR  
SENIORS LOCATED IN DISTRICT 11 TO THE LIST OF  
ECONOMIC STIMULUS PROJECTS PURSUANT TO THE  
COUNTY'S ECONOMIC STIMULUS PLAN

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable  
recommendation*

*Mover: Martinez*

*Seconder: Jordan*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: 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.*

2H

**090460 Resolution****Dorrin D. Rolle**

RESOLUTION DECLARING A GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF UNINCORPORATED MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA KNOWN AS THE NW 79TH STREET CORRIDOR AND DESCRIBED AS A PORTION OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, GENERALLY BOUNDED NW 87TH STREET ON THE NORTH, 62ND STREET ON THE SOUTH, NW 7TH AVENUE ON THE EAST AND NW 37TH AVENUE ON THE WEST TO BE A SLUM OR BLIGHTED AREA; DECLARING THE REBUILDING, REHABILITATION, CONSERVATION AND REDEVELOPMENT OF THE AREA TO BE IN THE INTEREST OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, MORALS AND WELFARE OF RESIDENTS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA; APPROVING THE COMPETITIVE SELECTION OF A CONSULTANT IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROVISIONS OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 3-38, TO PREPARE A COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE NW 79TH STREET CORRIDOR COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AREA; APPROVE MONIES IN THE COUNTY'S INCORPORATED MUNICIPAL SERVICE AREA NON-DEPARTMENTAL ALLOCATION FOR MANAGEMENT CONSULTING SERVICES FUND BE EXPENDED FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN; DESIGNATING SUCH PLAN, EXAMINE ALTERNATE FUNDING MECHANISMS IN ADDITION TO TAX INCREMENT FINANCING AS A VEHICLE TO FUND THE REDEVELOPMENT (Office of Strategic Business Management)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Rolle*

*Seconder: Martinez*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Souto*

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

*Chairwoman Edmonson recognized Mr. Oliver Gross, who requested to speak on the foregoing proposed resolution.*

*Mr. Oliver Gross, 8500 N.W. 25th Avenue, Miami, appeared and spoke in support of the foregoing proposed resolution, and expressed his appreciation for the Committee's support.*

*In response to Commissioner Martinez' question regarding the amount of money lost each year from the General Fund budget on CRAs, Ms. Jennifer Glazer-Moon noted, based on the County's Tax Increment Fund (TIF) payments, approximately \$52.6 million was paid for Fiscal Year 2008-09. She further noted approximately \$1 million generated from Unincorporated Municipal Service Area (UMSA), and the balance*

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*from Countywide.*

*Commissioner Martinez recommended staff monitor those CRAs that had been around for a lengthy periods, and assess their continued usefulness.*

*There being no further questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

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**090767 Resolution** **Dorria D. Rolle** *Amended*  
RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR MAYOR'S  
DESIGNEE TO RESEARCH THE FEASIBILITY OF  
USING FUNDS FROM THE AMERICAN RECOVERY  
AND REINVESTMENT ACT OF 2009 PUBLIC HOUSING  
CAPITAL FUNDS OR ANY OTHER FEDERAL  
ECONOMIC STIMULUS FUNDS TO PROVIDE GAP  
FUNDING FOR THE SCOTT-CARVER HOPE VI  
PROJECT; REQUIRING A REPORT

**Report:** *(SEE AGENDA ITEM 21 AMENDED;  
LEGISLATIVE FILE NO. 091171.)*

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2I AMENDED

091171 Resolution

Dorrrin D. Rolle

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO RESEARCH THE FEASIBILITY OF USING FUNDS FROM THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT OF 2009 PUBLIC HOUSING CAPITAL FUNDS, ANY OTHER FEDERAL ECONOMIC STIMULUS FUNDS, AND ALL OTHER STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS TO PROVIDE GAP FUNDING FOR THE SCOTT-CARVER HOPE VI PROJECT; REQUIRING A REPORT [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 090767]

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

*Mover: Rolle*

*Seconder: Sorenson*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Souto*

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

*Following Commissioners Rolle and Sorenson's requests that this resolution be amended, the Committee forwarded the foregoing proposed resolution to the BCC with a favorable recommendation with committee amendment(s) to include language directing the County Mayor or designee to research the feasibility of using funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 Public Housing Capital Funds, any other Federal Economic Stimulus Funds, and all other state and federal funds, to provide gap funding for the Scott/Carver HOPE VI Project, requiring a report.*

2J

091005 Resolution

Katy Sorenson

RESOLUTION APPOINTING KERI-LYN COLEMAN TO THE NARANJA LAKES COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Sorenson*

*Seconder: Martinez*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: 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.*

3 DEPARTMENT

3A

**090914 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A SECOND AMENDMENT TO LEASE AGREEMENT AT THE SOUTH DADE SKILLS CENTER, 28300 S.W. 152 AVENUE, MIAMI, WITH THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, FOR PREMISES TO BE UTILIZED AS CLASSROOMS FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ANY AND ALL OTHER RIGHTS CONFERRED THEREIN (General Services Administration Department)

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

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

*Following a brief discussion between Commissioner Jordan and staff regarding the School Board's financial involvement in the South Dade Skill Center, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

3B

**090824 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC RESOURCES ADVISORY GROUP AS FINANCIAL ADVISOR FOR HOUSING FINANCE AUTHORITY OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND APPROVING FORM, EXECUTION AND DELIVERY BY AUTHORITY OF RELATED AGREEMENT (Housing Finance Authority)

*Amended*

**Report:** *(SEE AGENDA ITEM 3B AMENDED; LEGISLATIVE FILE NO. 091310.)*

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3B AMENDED

**091310 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC RESOURCES ADVISORY GROUP AS FINANCIAL ADVISOR FOR HOUSING FINANCE AUTHORITY OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND APPROVING FORM, EXECUTION AND DELIVERY BY AUTHORITY OF RELATED AGREEMENT(SEE ORIGINAL ITEM NO. 090824) (Housing Finance Authority)

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

*Mover: Martinez*

*Seconder: Rolle*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Souto*

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

*Following a brief discussion, the Committee forwarded the foregoing proposed resolution to the BCC with a favorable recommendation with committee amendment(s) to include language providing that periodic status reports be presented before the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) and to require the renewal for this agreement to be brought back before the BCC for approval.*

3C

**090458 Resolution**

RESOLUTION REJECTING ALL BIDS FOR THE BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS (GOB) PROJECT NUMBER 249 REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING ON CARIBBEAN BOULEVARD AND NORTHSIDE METRORAIL STATION SITES; WAIVING THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 2-8.4 OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY CODE PERTAINING TO BID PROTEST PROCEDURES, AND SECTION 4.03(D) OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER AND SECTION 2-8.1 OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY CODE PERTAINING TO COMPETITIVE BID PROCEDURES, BY A TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF THE BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR THE MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS WITH ALL OF THE RESPONSIBLE BIDDERS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF TWO MULTI FAMILY DEVELOPMENTS UTILIZING GOB FUNDS AS "GAP" FUNDING ONLY (Office of Community and Economic Development)

*Deferred to no date certain**Mover: Jordan**Seconder: Sorenson**Vote: 4-0**Absent: Souto, Martinez*

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

*Chairwoman Edmonson opened the floor and recognized Mr. Michael Cox and Mr. Gonzalo DeRamon, to speak on this issue.*

*Prior to hearing public comments, Commissioner Rolle expressed his desire to withdraw the \$10.3 million he previously committed to fund this project, citing excessive problems in moving the project. He noted he sent an email to the County Manager on March 19, 2009, requesting that his funds be withdrawn from this project; however, he noted he still supported this project.*

*Assistant County Attorney Johnson-Stacks advised Commissioner Rolle that because the \$10.3 million were designated by resolution, withdrawal of those funds would require an amendment process. She added that it would be appropriate to amend the foregoing proposed resolution to delete the reference to negotiating, with respect to the Northside Project.*

*Commissioner Rolle asked the County Attorney to prepare a resolution amending this resolution by withdrawing the \$10.3 million provided by District 3 from the resources funding the Northside Project.*

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*In response to Commissioner Martinez' inquiry as to whether the County could negotiate on this project without having the funding committee, Ms. Jennifer Glazer-Moon, Director, Office of Strategic Business Management (OSBM), advised that it might not be negotiating in good faith.*

*Commissioner requested this resolution be deferred because the withdrawal of the \$10.3 million by Commissioner Rolle changes the content of this resolution as presented.*

*Discussion ensued among Committee members concerning the need to reissue the bid process for this project and the causes for the delay in moving this project forward.*

*Ms. Glazer-Moon expressed staff's support of deferring this item; however, she noted land at these sites had already been purchased using Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds and needed to move forward.*

*Ms. Johnson-Stacks advised that deferral of this resolution was sufficient and noted all bids did not need to be rejected. She informed Commissioner Rolle that staff would prepare an item to effectuate his intent with respect to withdrawal of the \$10.3 million from the Northside Project, and deliver it to his office.*

*Chairwoman Edmonson opened the floor to public comment and the following individual(s) appeared:*

*Mr. Michael Cox, 150 S.E. 2nd Avenue, Miami, representing Biscayne Housing Group (BHG), appeared and ensured the Committee that the proposal submitted by his company was feasible without Building Better Communities General Obligation Bond (GOB) funds. He stated that during a public meeting on April 30, 2008, BHG's proposal was ranked number one for the Northside project, and requested this Committee to ratify the results of that meeting.*

*Ms. Shalley Jones Horn, Director, Office of Community and Economic Development (OCED), clarified that Mr. Cox was requesting that the results of the first Request for Proposals (RFP) score rating, ranking BHG number one, be accepted. She explained that after careful review by staff, several errors were made in the first score rating process, including thresholds not being met. Ms. Horn advised that this package would be*

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*reissued in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Department of Procurement Management (DPM).*

*There being no further questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the motion to defer.*

3D

**090897 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING AN EXTENSION OF THE DEVELOPMENT DEADLINES FOR THE BAHAMIAN VILLAGE PROJECT BY BAHAMIAN VILLAGE, LLC FROM DECEMBER 2009 TO DECEMBER 31, 2012 (Office of Community and Economic Development)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Jordan*

*Seconder: Rolle*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Martinez, Souto*

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

3E

**090898 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF \$100,000 IN COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT LOAN GUARANTEE PROGRAM FUNDS TO CAPITALIZE A SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IN WEST PERRINE (Office of Community and Economic Development)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Sorenson*

*Seconder: Rolle*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Souto, Martinez*

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

3F

**090406 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE HUMAN AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATION FUNDING AND REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS PROCESS, SERVICE PRIORITY AREAS, AND PERCENTAGE ALLOCATIONS FOR FUNDING COMMENCING IN FY 2009-10 [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 090162] (Office of Grants Coordination)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Jordan*

*Seconder: Rolle*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Souto, Martinez*

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

3F SUBSTITUTE

090948 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE HUMAN AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATION FUNDING AND REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS PROCESS, SERVICE PRIORITY AREAS, AND PERCENTAGE ALLOCATIONS FOR FUNDING COMMENCING IN FY 2009-10 [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NOS. 090406 AND 090162] (Office of Grants Coordination)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Jordan*

*Seconder: Rolle*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Souto, Martinez*

**Report:** *In response to Commissioner Jordan's question of how many extra points would be awarded to programs within the Magic City Zone, Mr. Dan Wall, Director, Office of Grants Coordination (OGC), directed Committee members' attention to handwritten page 6, and noted #4 provided that up to five (5) extra points would be awarded.*

*There being no further questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

4 COUNTY MANAGER

5 COUNTY ATTORNEY

6 CLERK OF THE BOARD

6A

091040 Report

CLERK'S SUMMARY OF MINUTES FOR THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE FOR MARCH 11, 2009 (Clerk of the Board)

*Approved*

*Mover: Jordan*

*Seconder: Rolle*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Souto, Martinez*

7 REPORTS

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7A

**090901 Report**

MONTHLY REPORT ON THE MIAMI-DADE PUBLIC HOUSING AGENCY - APRIL 2009

(County Manager)

*Report Received*  
*Mover: Martinez*  
*Seconder: Sorenson*  
*Vote: 4-0*  
*Absent: Rolle, Souto*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed report into the record. Commissioner Rolle asked the Director of the Miami-Dade Housing Agency (MDHA) to provide him with information regarding the gap in funding identified in #5 on page 6, as related to the Hope VI Project, as well as a detailed explanation of the environmental clearance listed in #9 on page 3 of this report. He asked the Director to also indicate in this report the amount of gap funding needed, as well as funding sources to be used to fill this gap. Commissioner Rolle also asked the Director to provide him with a report indicating when the construction of the HOPE VI project would begin, including a timeline for completing this project.*

*Chairwoman Edmonson asked the MDHA Director to provide her with a report on the status of crime related incidents occurring within the public housing units, and the corrective action that was taken in response to each incident. She asked that information also be included in this report, detailing how the proceeds, from the sale of the seven (7) acres across from the proposed baseball stadium, would be used and that the Director keep committee members informed on the status of plans for development of the MDHA properties adjacent to the proposed Marlins Stadium site.*

*Commissioner Jordan asked the Director to provide her with a report on the status of the MDHA satellite offices and where the offices were located.*

7A SUPPLEMENT

**091116 Supplement**

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION TO THE MONTHLY REPORT ON THE MIAMI-DADE PUBLIC HOUSING AGENCY

*Report Received*  
*Mover: Martinez*  
*Seconder: Sorenson*  
*Vote: 4-0*  
*Absent: Souto, Rolle*

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7B

**090902 Report**

REPORT ON THE STATUS OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD  
STABILIZATION PROGRAM – APRIL 2009

(County Manager)

*Report Received*  
*Mover: Martinez*  
*Seconder: Sorenson*  
*Vote: 4-0*  
*Absent: Souto, Rolle*

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

*Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee accepted the foregoing report as presented.*

7C

**091035 Report**

AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT OF  
2009-HOMELESS PREVENTION AND RAPID RE-  
HOUSING PROGRAM

(County Manager)

*Report Received*  
*Mover: Martinez*  
*Seconder: Sorenson*  
*Vote: 4-0*  
*Absent: Souto, Rolle*

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

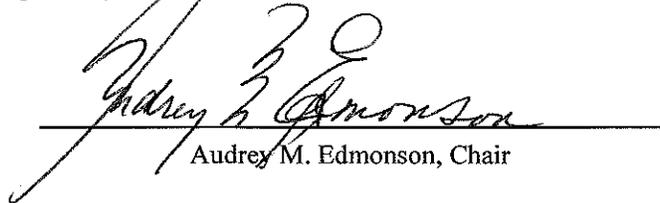
*Commissioner Sorenson asked the Director of the Homeless Trust Department to develop a method for addressing this issue of homeless sexual offenders living underneath bridges, by creating transitional housing, using the Minnesota Colorado model or the Corrections Department, and to provide committee members with a progress report on the status of this project.*

*Commissioner Jordan asked the County Manager to meet with the Homeless Trust Director and representatives of the State Corrections & Rehabilitation Department to discuss the issue of homeless prevention.*

*Chairwoman Edmonson asked staff to prepare the appropriate memorandum requesting Board of County Commissioners Chairman Dennis C. Moss to waive the Committee's Rules and Procedures to place the foregoing proposed legislation on the May 5, 2009 BCC Agenda for review by the full Board.*

**8 ADJOURNMENT**

**Report:** *There being no further business to come before the Housing and Community Development Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.*

  
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Audrey M. Edmonson, Chair