

**RECREATION, CULTURE AND TOURISM
COMMITTEE**

Roll Call Sheet for 4-13-09

MEMBER	PRESENT	LATE	ABSENT
Commissioner Heyman	✓		
Commissioner Jordan	✓		
Commissioner Sorenson	✓		
Commissioner Sosa	✓		
Vice Chairman Barreiro		✓ 3:35p	✓
Chairman Souto	✓		
Staff:			
Assistant County Manager Alex Munoz	✓		
Assistant County Attorney Wilfredo Ferrer	✓		

NOTE: Four (4) members constitute a quorum

COB Staff: Shaw, Al Civenberg

COMMISSIONER JOSE "PEPE" DIAZ

DISTRICT 12



MEMORANDUM

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APR 13 2009

TO: Honorable Chairman Javier D. Souto
Recreation, Culture, and Tourism Committee
FROM: Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz
DATE: April 13, 2009
RE: Request for Waiver

I respectfully request that the following item be waived to the next Board of County Commissioners' agenda scheduled for April 21, 2009:

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE SOUTH FLORIDA SUPER BOWL HOST COMMITTEE'S BID TO HOST THE 2013 SUPER BOWL XLVII

This item is time sensitive due to specified deadlines for submittal of the Super Bowl Host Committee's bid.

Thank you for your consideration.

Approved: Javier D. Souto
Chairman Javier D. Souto
Recreation, Culture, and Tourism Committee

Concurrence: Dennis C. Moes
Chairman Dennis C. Moes
Board of County Commissioners

MEMORANDUM

RCT
Agenda Item No. 2(C)

TO: Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: April 13, 2009

FROM: R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution supporting the South
Florida Super Bowl Host
Committee's bid to host the 2013
Super Bowl XLVII

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Vice-Chairman Jose "Pepe" Diaz.

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R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

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Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE
COUNTY

Date: April 13, 2009

To: Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss
Board of County Commissioners

From: Honorable Chairman Javier D. Souto
Recreation Culture and Tourism Committee 

Subject: Request to Waive Item to April 21, 2009 Board of County Commission Agenda

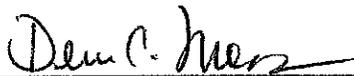
The following item is scheduled to be heard at the April 13, 2009 Recreation Culture and Tourism Committee. I respectfully request that the item be placed on the April 21, 2008 Board of County Commission Agenda.

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REJECTION OF ALL BIDS; AUTHORIZING WAIVING THE BID PROTEST PROCESS; AUTHORIZING WAIVING OF COMPETITIVE BIDDING PURSUANT TO SECTION 5.03 OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER, SECTION 2-8.1 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, AND SECTION 255.20 OF THE FLORIDA STATUTES; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT GSA NO. W70259 BETWEEN SOLUTION CONSTRUCTION, INC. (SOLUTION) AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW ARCOLA LAKES BRANCH LIBRARY IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,006,000.00; IN ADDITION, \$44,604.00 HAS BEEN ALLOCATED FOR ART IN PUBLIC PLACES; FOR AND ON BEHALF OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND TO EXERCISE ANY AND ALL OTHER RIGHTS CONTAINED THEREIN

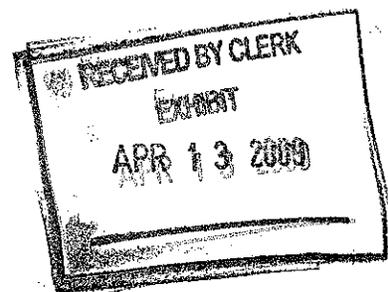
This item needs to be heard at the April 21st meeting because a delay in the approval of this item will jeopardize the project funding; the Capital Asset Acquisition Bond 2007 Proceeds must be utilized entirely by May 2010. Additionally, notice has been given in the Daily Business Review (as required by State Statute 255.20) that a public hearing will take place during the Board meeting of April 21, 2009.

Approval:



Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss
Board of County Commissioners

c: R.A. Cuevas, Jr., County Attorney
Kay Sullivan, Office of the Clerk
Alex Munoz, Assistant County Manager
Jennifer Glazer-Moon, Director, Office of Strategic Business Management
Wendi J. Norris, Director, General Services Administration



EXHIBIT

Memorandum



Date: April 13, 2009

To: Honorable Dennis C. Moss, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

From: Honorable Javier D. Souto, Chairman
Recreation, Culture and Tourism Committee

Subject: Waiver Request for April 21, 2009 Board of County Commissioners Agenda

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I respectfully request that the following item be waived onto the April 21, 2009, Board of County Commissioners meeting agenda. The item was heard by the Recreation, Culture and Tourism Committee on April 13, 2009, and forwarded to the Board with a favorable recommendation.

Legistar No. 090985 - RESOLUTION APPROVING AN INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT WITH SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT FOR DEERING REHYDRATION ADDITION/DEERING ESTATE FLOW WAY PROJECT; GRANTING OF TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION AND ACCESS EASEMENT AND PERMANENT FLOWAGE ACCESS MAINTENANCE EASEMENTS ("EASEMENTS"); CONSENTING TO STATE OF FLORIDA'S GRANTING OF FLOWAGE EASEMENT FOR DEERING ESTATE; AUTHORIZING COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT AND CONSENT; AND AUTHORIZING COUNTY MAYOR TO EXECUTE EASEMENTS (Park & Recreation Department)

The item is time sensitive because the funding must be encumbered by July 30, 2009.

Thank you for your consideration.

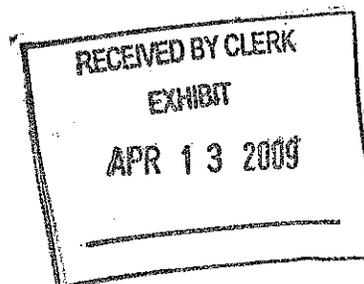
By virtue of the signature below, this request is approved:

Handwritten signature of Dennis C. Moss in black ink.

Approved
Honorable Dennis C. Moss, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

c: Robert A. Cuevas, County Attorney
Alex Munoz, Assistant County Manager
Dianne Davis, Agenda Coordinator

EXHIBIT



Date: April 13, 2009
To: Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss
Board of County Commissioners
From: Honorable Javier D. Souto, Chairperson
Recreation, Culture and Tourism Committee
Subject: Waiver to the April 13 Recreation, Culture and Tourism Committee



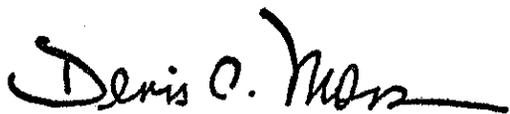
I respectfully request that the following item be waived onto the April 13 Recreation, Culture and Tourism Committee meeting:

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER OF FORMAL COMPETITIVE BID PROCEDURES IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 5.03(D) OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER, SECTION 2-8.1(B) OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, THE REQUIREMENTS OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 3-39 AND SECTION 255.20, FLORIDA STATUTES, BY A TWO-THIRDS (2/3) VOTE OF THE BOARD, TO CONTRACT WITH DOWNRITE ENGINEERING CORPORATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,091,260.57 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE LAKES BY THE BAY PARK SITE DEVELOPMENT AND UTILITIES; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT AND EXERCISE ANY AND ALL OTHER RIGHTS CONFERRED THEREIN (Miami-Dade Park and Recreation)

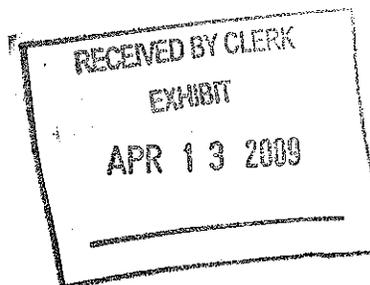
- *This item is time sensitive in order to move forward with the landfill and to ensure that the price quote from the contractor does not change.*

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



Approved
Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss
Board of County Commissioners

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c: Robert Cuevas, County Attorney
Alex Munoz, Assistant County Manager
Dianne Davis, Agenda Coordinator



MIA TRAFFIC PERFORMANCE

FEBRUARY 2009

Passenger Traffic

	Feb. 2009	% Chg over Feb. 2008
International Passengers	1,183,525	-3.00%
Domestic Passengers	1,405,385	-4.32%
Total Passengers	2,588,910	-3.72%

Comments:

- Industry wide, February passenger traffic fell sharply.
- According to IATA, every region experienced a drop in demand except for the Middle East which had a minimal increase.

Cargo Traffic

	Feb. 2009	% Chg over Feb. 2008
International Freight	105,778	-26.43%
Domestic Freight	15,903	-30.86%
Total Freight	121,681	-27.04%

Comments:

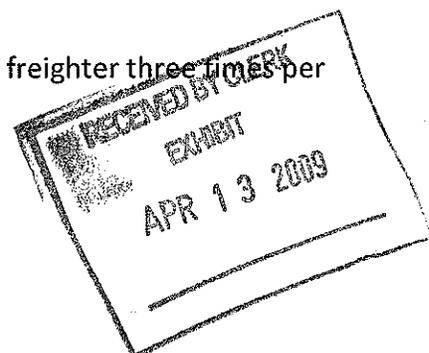
- Continuing declines in domestic and international freight at MIA reflect the global crash of air commerce being experienced in virtually all markets.
- According to IATA, all cargo markets saw extremely weak demand continue as a result of the collapse in international trade in goods and the much lower shipment of components by manufacturers. However, the level of air freight appears to have stabilized over the past three months.

Additional info/news

- Air Jamaica discontinued passenger service at MIA and three other U.S. airports. The airline is being sold and a suitor is being requested by June 2009 due to financial dire straits of the carrier.
- Air Jamaica Cargo will remain operating out of MIA with a freighter three times per week.

Source: MDAD Marketing Division

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**Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners
Recreation, Culture and Tourism Committee Budget Priorities
FY 2009-10**

Committee	Commissioner	Affected Departments	Budget Priority	Selections	Item Nr
Recreation, Culture and Tourism Committee	Javier D. Souto	P&R	Ensure that no parks are closed in the County.		RCTC-1
		P&R	Preserve and enhance direct programming of parks as well as strengthen the County's programming partnerships with youth sports and recreation leagues.		RCTC-2
		P&R	Maximize all park revenues through concession stands, souvenirs, amusement rides and rental of athletic equipment.		RCTC-3
		P&R	Identify and move forward with advertising revenue opportunities.		RCTC-4
		P&R	Move forward as quickly as possible with GOB-funded capital program on projects that the Parks Department can identify as producing revenue through rentals and concessions.		RCTC-5
		P&R	Move forward with the construction of baseball fields, soccer fields, gymnasiums, etc.		RCTC-6
		P&R, CUA	Continue to fund cultural and arts programs for the community, particularly with opportunities to provide free music concerts, free plays, fairs, parades and art exhibits.		RCTC-7
		LIB	Support County libraries and the programs and activities provided to the public by the County's libraries.		RCTC-8
	Sally A. Heyman	BCC, Mayor	Dedicate more CDT funds to the Miami Beach Convention Center.		RCTC-9
		MDPR	Reduce cost of park maintenance by more efficiently using volunteers, persons needing community service hours, and non-violent offenders to perform non-skilled jobs at our county parks.		RCTC-10
		P&R	Support the department's initiative to increase revenue generating fees at our parks.		RCTC-11
		LIB	Start construction of the Northeast Dade Library.		RCTC-12
		CUA	Ensure the allowance of the dedicated maintenance fund for the care of the County's current Art in Public Places collection.		RCTC-13
	Barbara J. Jordan	CUA	Allocate funding for the design and construction of the North Dade Cultural Arts Center.		RCTC-14
		P&R	Allocate funding for lighting at North Glades Park.		RCTC-15
	Katy Sorenson	DP&Z, OOS	At a time of economic uncertainty and while there is less building activity we are presented with a unique opportunity to do some real planning for the future of our community -- planning that takes into account issues of climate change and allows us to benefit from the experience of smart growth in other communities who are making wise development choices.		RCTC-16
		Various	We need to continue our commitment to services such as Transit and the Public Health Trust. Not only do they have the biggest fiscal challenges of our County entities, both have become more important at times of greater need to our residents.		RCTC-17

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Recreation, Culture and Tourism Committee Budget Priorities
FY 2009-10

Committee	Commissioner	Affected Departments	Budget Priority	Selections	Item Nr
Recreation, Culture and Tourism Committee (cont'd)	Katy Sorenson (cont'd)	Various	In order to do the productive and important work of this County, and to not add to our community's unemployment problem, I would like to retain as many employees as possible. We need to work closely with unions to protect our employees as much as possible by exploring ideas of cutting back hours, voluntary leaves, furloughs, or other options to avoid lay-offs.		RCTC-18
		BCC	As a commission, we do have options, and I hope we seriously consider that with a super majority vote we will be able to help protect social services, parks, public safety, and our employees.		RCTC-19
	Rebeca Sosa	CUA	Increase revenues by utilizing the County's established venues, including those considered County assets including: The Arsht Center, Museum of Science, the Historical Museum of South Florida, Miami Art Museum, and Vizcaya Museum and Gardens.		RCTC-20
		CUA	Complete construction on the South Dade Cultural Center.		RCTC-21
		Beacon Council, ITC, GMCVB, CUA/TDC	Maximize our resources to attract more visitors and businesses to Miami-Dade County.		RCTC-22
		Various	The Miami Beach Convention Center is an essential component of our tourist community, and we must focus on securing the necessary funding for the improvements to the center.		RCTC-23
		GMCVB, PWD	The beautification of Miami-Dade County is crucial to support events such as our upcoming events of County-wide significance: Pow Wow and the Super Bowl.		RCTC-24
		GMCVB, PWD, CUA/TDC	Beautification and enhancement improvements to our main tourism corridors should be implemented prior to these events. We must be properly prepared for these events before they occur and ready to clean-up once the event has ended.		RCTC-25
	GMCVB, Community Advocacy, CUA/TDC	Provide customer service training to all of the County's community ambassadors and volunteers who will participate in the Pow Wow and Super Bowl events.		RCTC-26	
	Recreation, Culture and Tourism Committee	Important Committee Priorities from Prior Year	P&R	Provide funding for the Miami International Agricultural & Cattle Show	
P&R			Continue to fund successful family activities such as the Rib Fest		RCTC-28
P&R			Continue to fund and preserve the Deering Estate		RCTC-29
Various			Focus cuts on operations such as administrative positions and vacant positions		RCTC-30
Various			Continue contract management of Building Better Communities General Obligation Bond (GOB) cultural center projects such as Carver Theater, Lyric Theater, Florida Grand Opera Theater, Miami Science Museum/Historical Museum of Southern Florida, the Cuban Museum, the South Miami-Dade Cultural Arts Center and others.		RCTC-31

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About the *Art of Storytelling*

The Art of Storytelling (AOS) is Miami-Dade Public Library System's signature event. Now in its ninth year, the event promotes a partnership with a library from another country to share the historical and cultural highlights of that country as seen through its literature, folklore and art. Since 2001, AOS has offered an international exchange program during which librarians, storytellers and cultural artists research and perform their craft in each other's country. This project culminates in Miami-Dade County with a week-long series of branch visits, professional workshops and an International Festival Day.

The purpose of AOS is to explore the unique ways in which storytelling is used by librarians, parents/caregivers and teachers to impact the lives of our multicultural community. The ultimate goal is to stimulate the imagination and help children develop a love of the cultural arts, reading and libraries. The key ingredient that sets this project apart from other exchange programs is the workshops for library staff in which the focus is on learning about each others' collections, programming techniques and outreach efforts. In 2008, more than 7,000 people attended the International Festival Day where they were treated to an array of performances with storytellers, dancers, puppeteers and musicians from various countries.

By sharing our local culture and the cultures of our exchange partners, participants have been able to enjoy the flavors of those countries through performances, storytelling and exhibitions – all of which have made the *Art of Storytelling* a colorful tapestry for all ages to enjoy.

ADOPT-A-PARK

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BECOMING A PARKS PATRON THROUGH GREEN GIVING.

The **Adopt-A-Park Program** offers Green Giving opportunities to individuals, organizations, and corporations. Whether through a financial or in-kind contribution, your support will preserve and enhance our parks and demonstrate a commitment to our community.

Green Giving Opportunities

- ~ Benches
- ~ Trees
- ~ Playgrounds
- ~ Skate Parks
- ~ Dog Parks
- ~ Youth Programs
- ~ Seniors Programs
- ~ Additional Opportunities

Adopt-A-Park Patrons Will Receive

- ~ Written Acknowledgment of your Gift
- ~ Visible Recognition at the Respective Park/Facility
- ~ Charitable Tax Deduction

Adopt-A-Tree (\$750)

Donors may choose from five beautiful trees and give the gift that keeps on growing.

Adopt-A-Bench (\$3,500)

Benches come in recycled plastic or all-steel, each with a 2' x 10" recessed plaque with donor name and message. Donation is good for the life of the bench. (10 years)

Adopt-A-Program (\$500+)

Dramatically impact a child's life. Sponsor a child today for summer camp or establish a scholarship fund for children to participate in a specialty camp program. You will make a lifelong difference. Choose to support other programs such as seniors, children with disabilities, and more.

Adopt-A-Dog Park (\$3,000+)



Bring your furry friend to our dog parks while making a commitment to enhance them.

A financial contribution helps purchase dog agility equipment including hurdles, obstacles, tunnels, and chutes for our canine friends' good health and enjoyment.

Volunteering in our Parks

The Adopt-A-Park program encourages individuals, corporations and civic groups to volunteer their time and/or resources for the improvement of our neighborhood parks.

Become a Volunteer to:

- Beautify a park by planting trees or a butterfly garden
- Help build a playground
- Maintain natural areas
- Help coordinate activities for seniors or kids programs
- Complete a scouting merit badge
- Fulfill community hours



Leave A Green Legacy

Make a lasting legacy to our parks by bequeathing a special gift through your will, trust, or general estate plans. With your support, we can continue to deliver excellence to our community by maintaining beautiful parks and providing meaningful programs.

MDPR Mission Statement

We create outstanding recreational, natural, and cultural experiences to enrich you and enhance our community, for this and future generations.

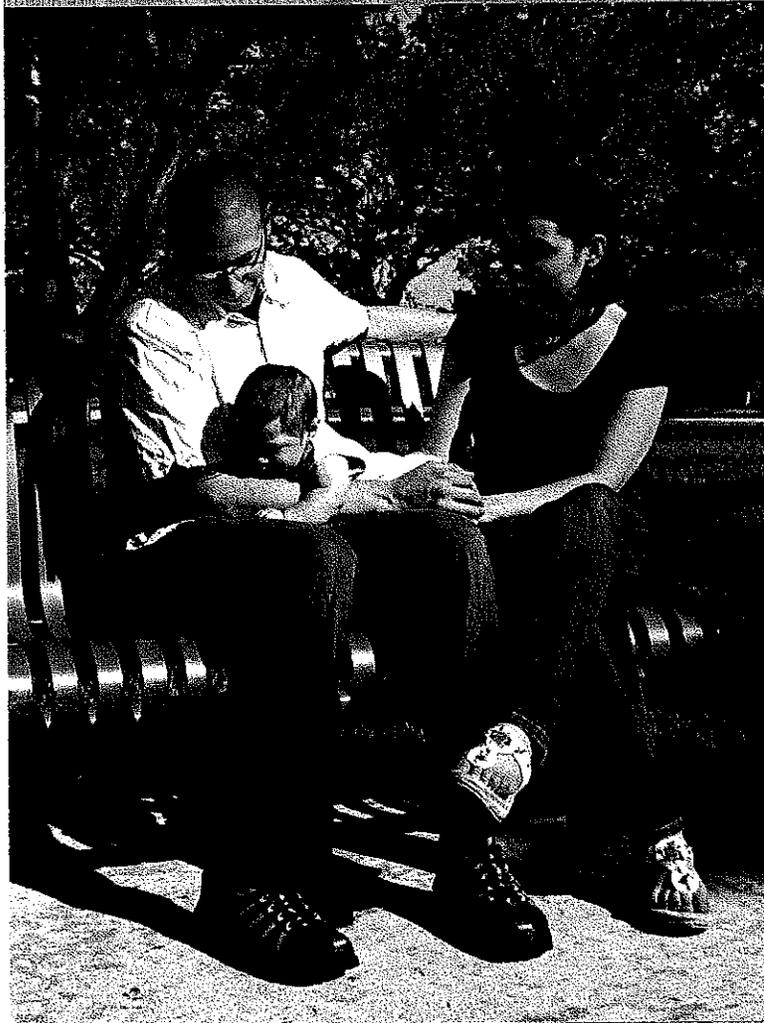
For More Information Contact:

Donna Peyton, Mgr., Fundraising & Development
305-755-7804

dpeyton@miamidade.gov

<http://www.adopt-a-park-miamidade.com>

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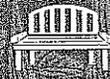


*M*aybe it was a walk on the beach with someone you love. Or meeting your best friend on a playground.

Some of our most lasting memories take place in parks. Join the Parks Foundation in preserving these memories.



Adopt-A-Tree



Adopt-A-Bench

The Parks Foundation is a 501 (c) (3) organization that works to support the Miami-Dade Park and Recreation Department. The Foundation is dedicated to improving and expanding Miami-Dade parks and green spaces. Led by a volunteer board of directors, The Parks Foundation brings new resources to our parks to ensure that Miami's green spaces are vibrant and accessible.

The funds raised by the Foundation provide additional support for recreational, environmental, and education programs. Foundation contributions help restore and beautify parks, pools, trails, playfields, and other active recreation facilities in our community that contribute to active, healthy lifestyles. The Foundation seeks grants and contributions from individuals, foundations and corporations.



The Parks Foundation offers two initiatives to the community to continue its restoration and/or preservation of its parks. Both initiatives are wonderful ways to honor a loved one, celebrate a birth, commemorate an anniversary, or demonstrate your appreciation for a particular park.

Adopt-A-Tree

Our selection of 10-foot live oak trees for this program symbolizes strength and longevity. A bronze marker with your message will be placed at the base of the oak.

Adopt-A-Bench

This program offers two comfortably contoured and durable 6-foot benches. Both are suitable for a variety of parks locations.

- An elegantly-styled steel, green bench
- An environmentally friendly recycled plastic bench

Each bench includes a bronze plaque with up to three lines of text. Location of trees and benches and language on plaques are subject to approval by Miami-Dade Parks and The Parks Foundation.



Support Parks

If you feel strongly that parks are a valuable community asset, please donate. No matter how large or small, your donation makes a difference. Through your support, we can ensure the preservation of our parks and green spaces for future generations.

For more information, please call (305) 755-7804.

Gifts to the Parks Foundation are tax-exempt as allowed by law according to I.R.S. regulations. The Parks Foundation has complied with registration requirements of Chapter 496, Florida Statutes, the Solicitation of Contributions Act. A COPY OF THE OFFICIAL REGISTRATION AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE DIVISION OF CONSUMER SERVICES BY CALLING TOLL-FREE 1-800-435-7352 WITHIN THE STATE OF FLORIDA. REGISTRATION DOES NOT IMPLY ENDORSEMENT, APPROVAL OR RECOMMENDATION BY THE STATE.