

**MIAMI-DADE COUNTY  
FINAL OFFICIAL MINUTES  
Recreation, Culture and Tourism Committee  
(RCTC)**

**Board of County Commissioners**

Stephen P. Clark Government Center  
Commission Chambers  
111 N.W. First Street  
Miami, Florida 33128

November 10, 2009  
As Advertised

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### Meeting Minutes

#### Recreation, Culture & Tourism Committee

Javier D. Souto (10), Chair; Bruno A. Barreiro (5) Vice Chair; Commissioners Sally A. Heyman (4); Barbara J. Jordan (1), Katy Sorenson (8) and Rebeca Sosa (6)

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**Tuesday, November 10, 2009**

**2:00 PM**

**Commission Chambers**

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**Members Present:** Sally A. Heyman, Barbara J. Jordan, Katy Sorenson, Rebeca Sosa, Javier D. Souto.

**Members Absent:** None.

**Members Late:** Bruno A. Barreiro.

**Members Excused:** None.

**Members Absent County Business:** None.

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**1 MINUTES PREPARED BY:**

**Report:** *Zorana Gainer, Commission Reporter*  
305-375-3570

**1A INVOCATION**

**1B PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**1C**      **ROLL CALL**

**Report:**    *The following members were present:  
Assistant County Manager Alex Munoz  
Assistant County Attorney Wifredo Ferrer  
Senior Deputy Clerk Doris Dickens  
Deputy Clerk Zorana Gainer*

*Assistant County Attorney Ferrer advised the Committee of the requested changes outlined in the November 10, 2009, County Manager's memorandum entitled, "Requested Changes to the Recreation, Culture & Tourism Committee" Agenda.*

*Hearing no objection, it was moved by Commissioner Heyman that the Committee approve the County Manager's memorandum of changes as noted by Assistant County Attorney Ferrer, and upon being put to a vote, passed by a vote of 4-0 (Commissioners Jordan and Barreiro were absent).*

**1D**      **DISCUSSION ITEM****1E**      **PRESENTATION(S)**

1E1

**092314**    **Special Presentation**

PROCLAMATION HONORING "TROPICAL PARK DOG PARK" SHELLEY STANCZYK, COUNCIL MEMBER, VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY (Park & Recreation Department)

*Deferred to December 7, 2009*

1E2

**092316 Special Presentation**

FLORIDA RECREATION AND PARK ASSOCIATION  
AGENCY AND MEDIA EXCELLENCE AWARDS, FRED  
COUCEYRO, DIRECTOR, SOUTHEAST REGION, FRPA  
(Park & Recreation Department)

*Presented*

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

*Mr. Jack Kardys, Director, Park & Recreation Department (MDPR) noted that he was proud to announce that MDPR received awards from the Florida Association of Parks and Recreation. Mr. Kardys acknowledged the attendees from the Florida Association of Parks and Recreation to present the Agency Excellence Award and a Media Excellence Award. He asked the Committee to view a video regarding the Media Excellence Award.*

*Mr. Kardys asked Mr. Fred Couceyro, Director, Coral Gables Parks & Recreation Department to come forward. He pointed out that Mr. Couceyro was also the director for the Southeast Region of the Florida Recreation and Park Association.*

*Mr. Couceyro gave a brief overview of the award process. Mr. Couceyro noted the Media Excellence Award was awarded to few agencies. He pointed out that Miami Dade County's "The Park Life" publication was the best he had seen. He said congratulations to MDPR and presented the Media Excellence Award and the Agency Excellence Award to Mr. Kardys.*

*Chairman Souto noted the publication Diarios Las America had published an unfavorable article regarding tourism in Miami-Dade County, he further noted that an unfavorable letter to the editor was published stating that Miami was not a very hospitable city. Chairman Souto expressed his concern regarding the reports and about tourists being treated badly. He said the unfavorable reports affects us all adversely, tourists should be treated well because tourism was a main financial stream to this city.*

*Chairman Souto asked Assistant County Manager Alex Munoz to prepare a deficiency report regarding any deficiencies observed in any County department, and that this report be presented at the beginning of each Committee*

meeting.

*Mr. Bill Talbert, Director, Greater Miami Convention & Visitors Bureau (GMCVB) responded to Chairman Souto's concerns noting that an article was published in the Miami Today periodical regarding airport customer service initiative to train all 35,000 airport employees, which was a partnership between the GMCVB and the aviation department.*

1E3

**092860 Special Presentation**

RECOGNITION OF MIAMI-DADE PARK & RECREATION DEPARTMENT, SPECIAL TAX DISTRICT MAINTENANCE DIVISION ON RECEIVING THE 2009 PROFESSIONAL GROUNDS MANAGEMENT SOCIETY GREEN STAR AWARDS - "GRAND AWARD" (Park & Recreation Department)

*Deferred to December 7, 2009*

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**OFFICE OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS**

1F1

**092704 Report**

2010 FEDERAL AND STATE LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE (Office of Intergovernmental Affairs)

*Forwarded to the BCC by the BCC Chairperson with a favorable recommendation*

**Report:** *SPECIAL NOTE: Chairman Souto submitted a memorandum requesting that the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) Chairman Dennis C. Moss waive the Board's Rules and Procedures to allow the foregoing proposed resolution to be heard at the November 17, 2009 Board meeting.*

**2 COUNTY COMMISSION**

2A

**092666 Resolution Sen. Javier D. Souto**

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE RONALD REAGAN EQUESTRIAN CENTER AS THE CENTER FOR THE PROTECTION AND CARE OF HORSES IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO INVITE EQUESTRIAN AND HORSE BREED AND RESCUE ORGANIZATIONS, AS WELL AS ALL INTERESTED INDIVIDUALS, TO USE TROPICAL PARK AS THE CENTER OF THEIR EFFORTS IN FURTHERANCE OF THE GOALS OF PROTECTING AND CARING FOR HORSES

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*  
*Mover: Heyman*  
*Seconder: Sorenson*  
*Vote: 4-0*  
*Absent: Sorenson, Barreiro*

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

*After hearing no questions/comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

2B

**092918 Resolution Sen. Javier D. Souto**

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO IDENTIFY AND EXPEDITE ALL PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES THAT WILL PROMOTE TOURISM IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND TO REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WITHIN 60 DAYS

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*  
*Mover: Sosa*  
*Seconder: Heyman*  
*Vote: 4-0*  
*Absent: Sorenson, Barreiro*

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

*After hearing no questions/comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

**3 PUBLIC HEARING(S)**

3A

092788 Resolution

Sen. Javier D. Souto

RESOLUTION APPROVING NAMING BASEBALL FIELD  
NO. 4 AT TROPICAL PARK AS "THE DANIEL MOREJON  
FIELD"

*Forwarded to BCC with a  
favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Heyman*

*Seconder: Sosa*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Barreiro*

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

*After hearing no questions/comments, the  
Committee proceeded to vote.*

#### 4 DEPARTMENT

4A

**092574 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FUNDING OF NINETEEN (19) GRANTS FOR A TOTAL OF \$153,500 FROM THE FY2008-2009 FOURTH QUARTER TOURIST DEVELOPMENT ROOM TAX PLAN AND SURTAX CATEGORY TO PROMOTE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TOURISM WITH: ALLIANCE FRANCAISE DE MIAMI, INC.; CORAL GABLES CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH (UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST), INC.; FAIRCHILD TROPICAL BOTANIC GARDEN, INC.; FOR THE LOVE OF YOU, INC.; FRIENDS OF THE BASS MUSEUM, INC.; GALATA, INC.; GREATER MIAMI CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU, INC.; JEWISH MUSEUM OF FLORIDA, INC.; MIAMI BEACH ARTS TRUST, INC.; MIAMI DESIGN PRESERVATION LEAGUE, INC.; MIAMI HISPANIC BALLET CORPORATION; MIAMI NORTHWEST EXPRESS TRACK AND FIELD CLUB, INC.; MIAMI OVERSEAS CHINESE ASSOCIATION, INC.; MIAMI-DADE BEACON COUNCIL; MIAMI-DADE SPORTS COMMISSION, INC.; MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART, INC.; MYSTERY PARK ARTS COMPANY, INC.; TEATRO AVANTE, INC.; WALENSTEIN MUSICAL ORGANIZATION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE GRANT AGREEMENTS FOLLOWING COUNTY ATTORNEY APPROVAL OF FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY AND TO EXERCISE THE CANCELLATION PROVISION CONTAINED THEREIN (Department of Cultural Affairs)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*  
*Mover: Jordan*  
*Seconder: Heyman*  
*Vote: 4-0*  
*Absent: Sorenson, Barreiro*

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

*After hearing no questions/comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

4B

**092872 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF TWENTY-SIX (26) GRANTS FOR A TOTAL OF \$124,600 FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS FY 2009-2010 COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM – FIRST QUARTER WITH ASPIRA OF FLORIDA, INC.; CARIBISLES SPORTS CLUB, INC.; CORAL GABLES MUSEUM CORP., THE; DADE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, INC. A/F/A FOR ADAM & EVE FESTIVAL; FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES, THE FOR THE BENEFIT OF AFRICAN AND AFRICAN DIAPORA STUDIES; FOTOMISSION, INC.; FRIENDS OF THE MIAMI-DADE PUBLIC LIBRARY, INC.; GERMAN SCHOOL OF SOUTH FLORIDA, INC., THE; GREATER SOUTH DADE/SOUTH MIAMI/KENDALL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, INC., D/B/A CHAMBER SOUTH; HOLOCAUST DOCUMENTATION AND EDUCATION CENTER, INC.; ITALIAN FILM FESTIVAL, INC.; KINAD, INC.; MERRICK FESTIVAL, INC.; MIAMI BEACH JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER; MIAMI CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS, INC.; MIAMI CHAPTER OF THE SOCIETY FOR PRESERVATION AND ENCOURAGEMENT OF BARBERSHOP QUARTET SINGING IN AMERICA, INC., THE; MIAMI MUSIC PROJECT, INC. MIAMI SHORT FILM FESTIVAL; MIAMI WORLD CINEMA CENTER, INC. (A NON-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION); MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PARK AND RECREATION - DEERING ESTATE AT CUTLER DIVISION; RETHINK AND REUSE CENTER, INC.; RICHMOND HEIGHTS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; SAINT ANDREW GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH OF KENDALL, INC.; SOUTH FLORIDA NATIONAL PARKS TRUST, INC.; TRADISYON LAKOU LAKAY, INC.; VOICES UNITED, INC. (Department of Cultural Affairs)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*  
*Mover: Jordan*  
*Seconder: Heyman*  
*Vote: 4-0*  
*Absent: Sorenson, Barreiro*

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

*After hearing no questions/comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

4C

**092271 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF AN EASEMENT TO FLORIDA POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY (FPL) FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF UNDERGROUND ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION LINES, LOCATED AT 8240 N. W. 7 AVENUE, UNINCORPORATED MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, IN THE ARCOLA LIBRARY SITE, IN SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 53 SOUTH, RANGE 41 EAST; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO EXECUTE SAID EASEMENT (General Services Administration)

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

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

*After hearing no questions/comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

4D

**092909 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AWARDED \$5,854,908 SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS DISCRETIONARY AND LAND ACQUISITION FUNDS TO SPECIFIC ENTITIES FOR SPECIFIC PARK PROJECTS AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO NEGOTIATE AND EXPEDITE EXECUTION OF RELATED GRANT AGREEMENTS, AND TO EXERCISE ANY RENEWAL, CANCELLATION OR TERMINATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN (Office of Capital Improvements)

*Amended*

**Report:** *See Agenda Item 4D Amended; Legislative File No. 093081.*

## 4D AMENDED

**093081 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AWARDING \$6,201,008 SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS DISCRETIONARY AND LAND ACQUISITION FUNDS TO SPECIFIC ENTITIES FOR SPECIFIC PARK PROJECTS AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO NEGOTIATE AND EXPEDITE EXECUTION OF RELATED GRANT AGREEMENTS, AND TO EXERCISE ANY RENEWAL, CANCELLATION OR TERMINATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 092909] (Office of Capital Improvements)

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

*Mover: Heyman*

*Seconder: Sosa*

*Vote: 4-1*

*No: Souto*

*Absent: Sorenson*

**Report:** *The committee corrected the following scrivener's error noted in the County Manager's Memorandum entitled "Requested Changes to the Recreation, Culture & Tourism Committee Agenda": that handwritten page 2, 2nd full paragraph, 5th sentence should read: "An amended grant agreement to reflect the revised sources of funding and project scope has been submitted for Board consideration under separate cover".*

*Commissioner Sosa expressed concern regarding only one park within her District receiving support. She inquired how this proposal was advertised and who determined who received grants.*

*Responding to Commissioner Sosa's inquiry Assistant County Manager Alex Munoz said applications were forwarded to the Safe Neighborhood Parks (SNP) Citizens Oversight Committee which makes recommendations regarding grants.*

*Mr. Johnny Martinez, Director, Office of Capital Improvement (OCI) noted the advertisements were published in the Daily Business Review.*

*Commissioner Sosa stated that she was very concerned about the inability of municipalities and neighborhood associations to request funding for their parks. She noted that advertising in the Daily Business Review limited who would see the advertisements; she further stated that some tax payers were forgotten by this type of advertising policy.*

*In response to Commissioner Sosa's concerns regarding advertising, Assistant County Manager*

*Munoz pointed out that OCI emailed all municipalities regarding Request for Proposals (RFP) for park capital improvements and land acquisition.*

*Commissioner Sosa noted that the areas within her District (Commission District 6) had requested funds for green areas but were denied because there was no funding available. She noted she was concerned that funding was available for other areas but not her District.*

*Chairman Souto expressed concern about transparency in government. He concurred with Commissioner Sosa's comments regarding advertising being limited to only the Daily Business Review.*

*Miami Lakes Mayor Michael Pizzi asked the Committee to support the decision of the SNP Citizens Oversight Committee, which recommended an award of \$346,000 to the Town of Miami Lakes. Mayor Pizzi said in 2004 the SNP Citizens Oversight Committee awarded Miami Lakes a \$246,000 Parks Grant, the award was never put before the Commission, therefore was never received. Mayor Pizzi expressed his concerns about Miami Lakes never receiving the funds they were awarded and subsequently being awarded more funds. Mayor Pizzi said he received a memorandum from the County Manager which stated that there was a problem because the Town of Miami Lakes owed the County approximately \$600,000 in Quality Neighborhoods Improvement Program (QNIP) debt service payments. Mayor Pizzi stated that the Town of Miami Lakes' attorneys informed him that they had no obligation to pay the QNIP debt service payments. Mayor Pizzi stated that this dispute was not yet resolved. He asked that the Committee reject the Manager's approach, which linked an unrelated matter to this situation during a genuine dispute between the county and the Town of Miami Lakes and award the funds to the Town of Miami Lakes.*

*Mr. Pete Hernandez, City Manager, City of Miami, noted he was in support of the Safe neighborhood Parks (SNP) grant to build a park on the parcel of land located at 1814 Brickell Avenue. The purpose was to provide a park for the children in the community and an area for dogs. City Manager Hernandez said the SNP Citizens Oversight Committee provided \$180,000,*

however the City of Miami requested \$500,000, he said he was asking for the difference. He said on October 27, 2009 the City of Miami Commission passed a resolution supporting the grant application, provisions for the matching funds and they passed a resolution which authorized him to proceed with the purchase of the said parcel. City Manager Hernandez asked for support in allowing the City of Miami further funding for this Park.

City of Miami Commissioner Marc Sarnoff (Dist 2) stated that the City of Miami made a concerted effort to go after one park. He noted 14,000 people lived vertical in the Brickell area which conserved resources. He said the number of children increased within the area daily, there were approximately 3,000 children and no parks for them. Commissioner Sarnoff said this was a unique opportunity; the City of Miami contemplated asking for three separate grants and subsequently decided on this one particular park site because park space was simply not allocated during planning. He urged the County to look at competing interests and grant the funding.

In response to Chairman Souto's inquiry regarding how much unallocated funding remained, Mr. Martinez said approximately \$1 million.

Commissioner Sosa noted that the items she was referring to on the List of Applicants were applicant numbers 21 (City of Miami Springs Community Center), 22 (City of Miami Springs Canal Street Linear Park) and 23 (City of Miami Springs Curtis Parkway and North Royal Poinciana Boulevard). She said number 21 was recommended but numbers 22 and 23 and 37 (A.D. Barnes Park) were missing. Commissioner Sosa said that she was unhappy about A.D. Barnes being denied. She stated that she was in support of the requests of City Commissioner Sarnoff to make sure that Brickell received the needed green space.

Commissioner Heyman pointed out that Miami Lakes did receive an award however, they were in litigation with the County and that the County had a policy regarding awarding funding when there was outstanding debt. She noted that there was some disparity but this was the policy, which needed to be addressed before distributing additional funds. She said that although many applied everyone was not eligible for SNP funding

*and asked Mr. Martinez to put on the record the process of awarding SNP funds.*

*Mr. Martinez concurred with Commissioner Heyman noting that SNP Committees was comprised of appointees from the Board and every commissioner had a member on the committee. He said over 74 applications were received but not every applicant received funding. Mr. Martinez noted 47 applicants were recommended for funding. He pointed out that if the committee choose to increase one allocation it would have to be taken from another project. Mr. Martinez said that Miami Lakes' situation was different in that its award was recommended by the Board of County Commissioners and the funds were set aside; the County Manager refrained from recommending the award due to the pending litigation on the \$600,000 QNIP debt service issue, however this was a separate issue.*

*Commissioner Heyman noted that Miami Lakes received the recommendation because it was eligible and inquired whether the funds could be set aside and made available to them once the QNIP issue was resolved.*

*Assistant County Manager Ysela Lloret responded to Commissioner Heyman's inquiry, noting that she was correct and that the recommendation before the Committee was to keep the funds from Miami Lakes in reserve until the QNIP debt service issue was resolved. She stated that the reason that the Miami Lakes recommendation was forwarded to the Committee was that there was a good faith effort for recovery at the time, which has currently stalled. She urged the Committee to keep the funds in reserve because this was a worthy project. She said the administration was hopeful that this issue would be resolved in the near future.*

*In response to Commissioner Heyman's inquiry whether anything precluded the Committee from making an additional allocation, Assistant County Attorney Monica Rizo advised that the Committee could move forward with the resolution today; and make a recommendation to the SNP Committee to come back to the Board at a later date regarding what to do with the additional funds.*

*Mr. Martinez noted that a portion of the \$1 million paid for office operations and a portion paid for upcoming allocations by the SNP grant or*

*the Office of Safe Neighborhood Parks for other projects, therefore it was not actually \$1 million waiting to be allocated.*

*Commissioner Heyman expressed her concern regarding drastic cuts in the Parks department and holding the funds; she said it was her intent to close this out by the next Committee meeting and make the funds available for parks as soon as possible.*

*Commissioner Heyman made a motion to accept the SNP committee recommendation with an amendment to insert A.D. Barnes Park in the amount of \$201,700 in lieu of Miami Lakes' application, and to give the Town of Miami Lakes and the County more time to work out its financial problems.*

*Mayor Pizzi expressed his concern regarding the Town of Miami Lakes waiting on the funds since 2004. He said there was currently no litigation and the Town of Miami Lakes did not owe any debt to the County. Mayor Pizzi pointed out that the children of Miami Lakes and surrounding areas did not have nice parks to play in, he further stated that this was hurting the children for political reasons.*

*Mr. Martinez stated that this resolution before the Committee today did not include the \$100,000 for Miami Lakes.*

*Chairman Souto expressed his concern regarding certain parts of Miami-Dade County having inferior park facilities. He asked the Assistant County Manager Alex Munoz to conduct a population density study of the County; including number and size (acreage) of parks, the number of children, and the number of facilities in parks, (i.e., basketball courts, baseball fields, soccer fields, etc.) in North Dade versus South Dade. He asked that findings be submitted at the December 7, 2009 Committee meeting.*

*Mr. Martinez reiterated that the \$346,000 that this committee was trying to reallocate to A.D. Barnes Park and the City of Miami was not within the \$5.7 million.*

*Assistant County Attorney Rizo clarified that the SNP Citizens Oversight Committee recommended awards to different entities totaling \$6,101,008 and the County Manager was only recommending*

*this committee award \$5,754,908 because the Town of Miami Lakes owes Miami-Dade County approximately \$600,000 of QNIP debt service payments.*

*Assistant County Manager Llort reminded Committee members that there were no guarantees on the Miami Lakes allocation as stated. She said currently in the Manger's Memorandum the funds were in reserve for Miami Lakes with the understanding that there would be a good faith effort to clear up the \$600,000 debt service payments.*

*Commissioner Sosa stated that she was in support of Commissioner Heyman's motion; however she could not support the recommendation to grant the funds to Miami Lakes if they currently owed funds to Miami-Dade County. She said the County needed to send the message that you cannot be in debt with the County and in litigation with the County and at the same time receive money from the County.*

*Chairman Souto said the children of Miami Lakes did not owe the County any money and people voted under the assumption that it would receive parks. He pointed out that the County did not conduct business with companies that owed the County money, and this rule should not apply to cities within Miami-Dade County; he asked Assistant County Manager Munoz to address this policy.*

*Further discussion ensued regarding the SNP allocation process.*

*It was moved by Commissioner Heyman that the foregoing proposal be forwarded to the BCC with Committee amendments to include the award of \$201,700 to A.D. Barnes Park and \$144,400 to the City of Miami for the Brickell Park parcel and to support the Town of Miami Lakes' application if they can resolve their financial QNIP debt service payment issue with Miami-Dade County. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Sosa and upon being put to a vote passed by a vote of 4-1 (Commissioner Souto voted "NO" and Commissioner Sorenson was absent).*

4E

**092581 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE GRANTING OF TWO EASEMENTS TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC SIGNAL FACILITIES, A TRAFFIC SIGNAL MAST ARM AND CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF A SIDEWALK RAMP AT THE COUNTRY CLUB OF MIAMI GOLF COURSE (Park & Recreation Department)

*Forwarded to the BCC by the BCC Chairperson with a favorable recommendation*

**Report:** *It was moved by Commissioner Heyman to waive the foregoing proposed resolution to the full Board of County Commissioners. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Sosa and upon being put to a vote, passed by a vote of 5-0 (Commissioner Sorenson was absent).*

*SPECIAL NOTE: Chairman Souto submitted a memorandum requesting that the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) Chairman Dennis C. Moss waive the Board's Rules and Procedures to allow the foregoing proposed resolution to be heard at the November 17, 2009 Board meeting.*

4F

**092653 Resolution**

RESOLUTION RETROACTIVELY APPROVING MODIFICATION NUMBER SEVEN (7) TO AGREEMENT WITH THE OPTIMIST CLUB OF WESTCHESTER, INC. IN AMOUNT OF \$40,000 TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM QNIP II FUNDS FOR DESIGN AND TECHNICAL OVERSIGHT DURING CONSTRUCTION OF THE NORTHWEST FIELD HOUSE AT TROPICAL PARK AND AUTHORIZING COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SAME (Park & Recreation Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation  
Mover: Heyman  
Seconder: Sosa  
Vote: 4-0  
Absent: Sorenson, Barreiro*

**Report:** *The following scrivener's error was corrected as noted in the County Manager's Memorandum entitled "Requested Changes to the Recreation, Culture & Tourism Committee Agenda". That on handwritten page 2, 1st paragraph, 4th sentence should read: "The design costs represent approximately 7.3% of the base construction cost, and construction is 4.7%, both are within the industry standard for work of this nature".*

4G

**092669 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO GRANT AGREEMENT WITH MEMORIAL CUBANO, INC.; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SUCH AMENDED GRANT AGREEMENT AND TO EXERCISE ANY AND ALL OTHER RIGHTS CONFERRED THEREIN

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*  
*Mover: Heyman*  
*Seconder: Sorenson*  
*Vote: 4-0*  
*Absent: Barreiro, Sorenson*

(Park & Recreation Department)

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

*After hearing no questions/comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

4H

**092939 Bid Awards**

CONTRACT AWARD RECOMMENDATION FOR HAULOVER PARK - LIFEGUARD HEADQUARTERS - PROJECT NO: 222302-05-001 GOB; CONTRACT NO: 222302-05-001, TO NIKO CONSULTANT, LLC; CONTRACT AMOUNT: \$2,276,017.75 (Park & Recreation Department)

*Forwarded to the BCC by the BCC Chairperson with a favorable recommendation*

**Report:** *SPECIAL NOTE: Chairman Souto submitted a memorandum requesting that the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) Chairman Dennis C. Moss waive the Board's Rules and Procedures to allow the foregoing proposed resolution to be heard at the November 17, 2009 Board meeting.*

**5 COUNTY MANAGER**

**6 COUNTY ATTORNEY**

**7 CLERK OF THE BOARD**

7A

**092397 Report**

CLERK'S SUMMARY OF MEETING MINUTES FOR RECREATION, CULTURE AND TOURISM COMMITTEE MEETING(S): JULY 13, 2009 (Clerk of the Board)

*Approved*  
*Mover: Jordan*  
*Seconder: Sosa*  
*Vote: 5-0*  
*Absent: Barreiro*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Ferrer read the foregoing report into the record.*

*After hearing no questions/comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

**8 REPORTS**

8A

**092384 Report**

SOUTH MIAMI-DADE CULTURAL ARTS CENTER STATUS REPORT (AUGUST 2009) (County Manager)

*Report Received*  
*Mover: Jordan*  
*Seconder: Sosa*  
*Vote: 4-0*  
*Absent: Heyman, Barreiro*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Ferrer read the foregoing report into the record.*

*After hearing no questions/comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

8B

**092863 Report**

SOUTH MIAMI-DADE CULTURAL ARTS CENTER STATUS REPORT (SEPTEMBER 2009) (County Manager)

*Report Received*  
*Mover: Jordan*  
*Seconder: Sosa*  
*Vote: 4-0*  
*Absent: Barreiro, Heyman*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Ferrer read the foregoing report into the record.*

*After hearing no questions/comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

8C

**092391 Report**

ADRIENNE ARSHT CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING  
ARTS CENTER OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY MONTHLY  
STATUS REPORT (SEPTEMBER 2009) (County Manager)

*Report Received*  
*Mover: Jordan*  
*Seconder: Sosa*  
*Vote: 4-0*  
*Absent: Barreiro, Heyman*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Ferrer read the  
foregoing report into the record.*

*After hearing no questions/comments, the  
Committee proceeded to vote.*

8D

**092702 Report**

ADRIENNE ARSHT CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING  
ARTS CENTER OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY MONTHLY  
STATUS REPORT (OCTOBER 2009) (County Manager)

*Report Received*  
*Mover: Jordan*  
*Seconder: Sosa*  
*Vote: 4-0*  
*Absent: Heyman, Barreiro*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Ferrer read the  
foregoing report into the record.*

*After hearing no questions/comments, the  
Committee proceeded to vote.*

8E

**092392 Report**

ORAL REPORT RE: SEAPORT/AVIATION MONTHLY  
UPDATE ON TRAVEL ACTIVITY (County Manager)

*Report Received*  
*Mover: Jordan*  
*Seconder: Sosa*  
*Vote: 4-0*  
*Absent: Barreiro, Heyman*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Ferrer read the  
foregoing report into the record.*

*After hearing no questions/comments, the  
Committee proceeded to vote.*

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**092393 Report**

ORAL REPORT BY BILL TALBERT, PRESIDENT & CEO, GREATER MIAMI CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU RE: TOURISM REVENUE, FORECAST OF TOURISM REVENUE AND THE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF TOURISM REVENUE (County Manager)

**Report Received**  
**Mover: Jordan**  
**Seconder: Sosa**  
**Vote: 4-0**  
**Absent: Barreiro, Heyman**

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Ferrer read the foregoing report into the record.*

*After hearing no questions/comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

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**092394 Report**

ORAL REPORT RE: MONTHLY UPDATE 2010 MIAMI INTERNATIONAL AGRICULTURE & CATTLE SHOW (County Manager)

**Report Received**  
**Mover: Jordan**  
**Seconder: Sosa**  
**Vote: 4-0**  
**Absent: Barreiro, Heyman**

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Ferrer read the foregoing report into the record.*

*After hearing no questions/comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

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**092966 Report**

ORAL REPORT RE: STATUS OF CONSTRUCTION START DATE FOR WESTCHESTER CULTURAL & ARTS CENTER (County Manager)

**Report Received**  
**Mover: Jordan**  
**Seconder: Sosa**  
**Vote: 4-0**  
**Absent: Barreiro, Heyman**

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Ferrer read the foregoing report into the record.*

*After hearing no questions/comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

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**092967 Report**

ORAL REPORT RE: STATUS OF CONSTRUCTION  
START DATE FOR EQUESTRIAN CENTER EXPANSION  
(County Manager)

*Report Received*

*Mover: Jordan*

*Secunder: Sosa*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Barreiro, Heyman*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Ferrer read the  
foregoing report into the record.*

*After hearing no questions/comments, the  
Committee proceeded to vote.*

**9 ADJOURNMENT**



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Javier D. Souto, Chair



Board of County Commissioners  
Recreation, Culture & Tourism Committee  
November 10, 2009

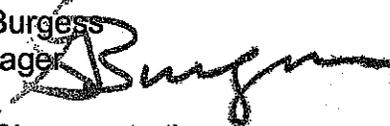
NO.	DATE	ITEM #	DESCRIPTION
1	11/10/2009		Requested Changes to the Recreation, Culture & Tourism Committee Agenda
2	11/10/2009	4H, 4E	Waiver Request for November 17, 2009 Board of County Commissioners Agenda (Agenda Item 4H; Legislative File No. 092939 and Agenda Item 4E; Legislative File No. 092581)
3	11/10/2009	1F1	Waiver Request for November 17, 2009 Board of County Commissioners Agenda (Agenda Item 1F1; Legislative File No. 092704)
4	11/10/2009	8E	Miami International Airport Traffic Performance for September 2009
5	11/10/2009	8E	Ft. Lauderdale Hollywood International Airport Traffic Performance for September 2009
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# Memorandum



**Date:** November 10, 2009

**To:** Honorable Chairperson and Members  
Recreation, Culture & Tourism Committee

**From:** George M. Burgess  
County Manager 

**Subject:** Requested Changes to the  
Recreation, Culture & Tourism Committee  
Agenda

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## Deferrals

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**092860** RECOGNITION OF MIAMI-DADE PARK & RECREATION DEPARTMENT, SPECIAL TAX DISTRICT MAINTENANCE DIVISION ON RECEIVING THE 2009 PROFESSIONAL GROUNDS MANAGEMENT SOCIETY GREEN STAR AWARDS - "GRAND AWARD" (Park & Recreation Department)

**Note:** *Deferral requested to December 7, 2009 Recreation, Culture & Tourism Committee*

**Scrivener's Errors**

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**092909** RESOLUTION AWARDING \$5,854,908 SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS DISCRETIONARY AND LAND ACQUISITION FUNDS TO SPECIFIC ENTITIES FOR SPECIFIC PARK PROJECTS AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO NEGOTIATE AND EXPEDITE EXECUTION OF RELATED GRANT AGREEMENTS, AND TO EXERCISE ANY RENEWAL, CANCELLATION OR TERMINATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN (Office of Capital Improvements)

**Note:** *On handwritten page 2, 2nd full paragraph, 5th sentence should read: "An amended grant agreement to reflect the revised sources of funding and project scope has been submitted for Board consideration under separate cover".*

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**092653** RESOLUTION RETROACTIVELY APPROVING MODIFICATION NUMBER SEVEN (7) TO AGREEMENT WITH THE OPTIMIST CLUB OF WESTCHESTER, INC. IN AMOUNT OF \$40,000 TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM QNIP II FUNDS FOR DESIGN AND TECHNICAL OVERSIGHT DURING CONSTRUCTION OF THE NORTHWEST FIELD HOUSE AT TROPICAL PARK AND AUTHORIZING COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SAME (Park & Recreation Department)

**Note:** *On handwritten page 2, 1st paragraph, 4th sentence should read: "The design costs represent approximately 7.3% of the base construction cost, and construction administration is 4.7%, both are within the industry standard for work of this nature".*

# Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE  
COUNTY

**Date:** November 10, 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 November 17, 2009 Board of County Commissioners Agenda

I respectfully request that the following items be waived onto the November 17, 2009, Board of County Commissioners meeting agenda. The items were heard by the Recreation, Culture and Tourism Committee on November 10, 2009, and forwarded to the Board with a favorable recommendation.

**Legistar No. 092939 - CONTRACT AWARD RECOMMENDATION FOR HAULOVER PARK - LIFEGUARD HEADQUARTERS - PROJECT NO: 222302-05-001 GOB; CONTRACT NO: 222302-05-001, TO NIKO CONSULTANT, LLC; CONTRACT AMOUNT: \$2,276,017.75 (Park & Recreation Department)**

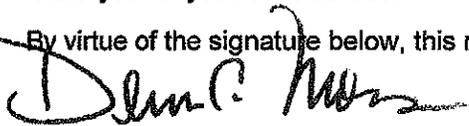
The above item is time sensitive because of the potential for bid bond expiration before the issuance of a Notice of Award and subsequent receipt of the required insurances with performance and payment bonds from the contractor. Bids were received for the project in April 2009; however, the project award was placed on hold due to the uncertainty of the Building Better Communities General Obligation Bond (BBC-GOB) funding in the FY'09-10 budget process. The approval to move forward with the project was provided on October 22, 2009. The bid bond has been extended to December 18, 2009.

**Legistar No. 092581 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE GRANTING OF TWO EASEMENTS TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC SIGNAL FACILITIES, A TRAFFIC SIGNAL MAST ARM AND CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF A SIDEWALK RAMP AT THE COUNTRY CLUB OF MIAMI GOLF COURSE (PARK & RECREATION DEPARTMENT)**

This item was previously scheduled to be heard during the September and October Recreation, Culture & Tourism Committee meetings which were both cancelled. The approval of this item is time sensitive due to the cancellation of those meetings. The project is part of a combined letting comprised of two larger projects totaling over \$4 million in construction improvements on Miami Gardens Drive. FDOT is asking the County to convey two easements needed for a loop detector and a ADA sidewalk improvement benefiting the Park's Country Club patrons and neighboring community.

Thank you for your consideration.

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



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

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

# Memorandum



**Date:** November 12, 2009

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

**From:** Honorable Javier Souto, Chairperson  
Recreation, Culture and Tourism Committee 

**Subject:** Waiver to the November 17, 2009 Board of County Commissioners Meeting

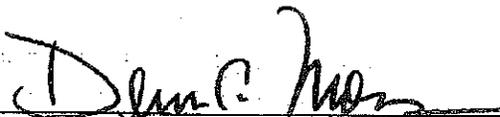
At the November 12, 2009 Health, Public Safety and Intergovernmental Committee the committee members requested that all items heard at committees of jurisdiction regarding the State Legislative Agenda be moved forward to the November 17, 2009 Board of County Commission Meeting. The State and Federal Legislative Agendas were bifurcated, allowing the State Agenda to move forward, due to committee meetings that have been taking place in Tallahassee as well as the rapidly approaching legislative session. I respectfully request that these items from the Recreation, Culture and Tourism Committee be waived onto the Board of County Commissioners meeting on November 17, 2009.

**092704 Report**

**2010 STATE LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE (Office of Intergovernmental Affairs)**

- This item is time sensitive as the package must be submitted in order to calendar the State Committee agendas in preparation for the upcoming legislative session.

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

- c: R.A. Cuevas, Jr. County Attorney  
Alina Hudak, Assistant County Manager  
Jennifer Glazer-Moon, Special Assistant/Director, Office of Strategic Business Management  
Dianne Davis, Agenda Coordinator



## MIA TRAFFIC PERFORMANCE

SEPTEMBER 2009

### Passenger Traffic

	September 2009	% Chg over September 2008
International Passengers	1,130,612	-1.58%
Domestic Passengers	1,228,298	1.75%
Total Passengers	2,358,910	0.13%

**Comments:**

- According to IATA, international passenger traffic was essentially unchanged, increasing 0.3% compared to September 2008. Passenger demand is now 5% better than the low point reached in March 2009, but 6% below the peak recorded in early 2008.

### Cargo Traffic

	September 2009	% Chg over September 2008
International Freight	122,058	-11.15%
Domestic Freight	17,033	-7.81%
Total Freight	139,091	-10.75%

**Comments:**

- Continuing declines in domestic and international freight at MIA reflect the global crash of air commerce being experienced in virtually all markets.

### Additional info/news

- Martinair discontinued foreign scheduled passenger service but will maintain freighter service.

FLL TRAFFIC PERFORMANCE

SEPTEMBER 2009

Passenger Traffic

	September 2009	% Chg over September 2008
International Passengers	163,284	8.6%
Domestic Passengers	1,148,905	7.9%
Total Passengers	1,312,189	8.0%

**Comments:**

- Of the 1,312,189 total FLL passengers, 12% were international passengers, while 88% were domestic passengers. In comparison, of the 2,358,910 total MIA passengers, 48% were international passengers, while 52% were domestic passengers.