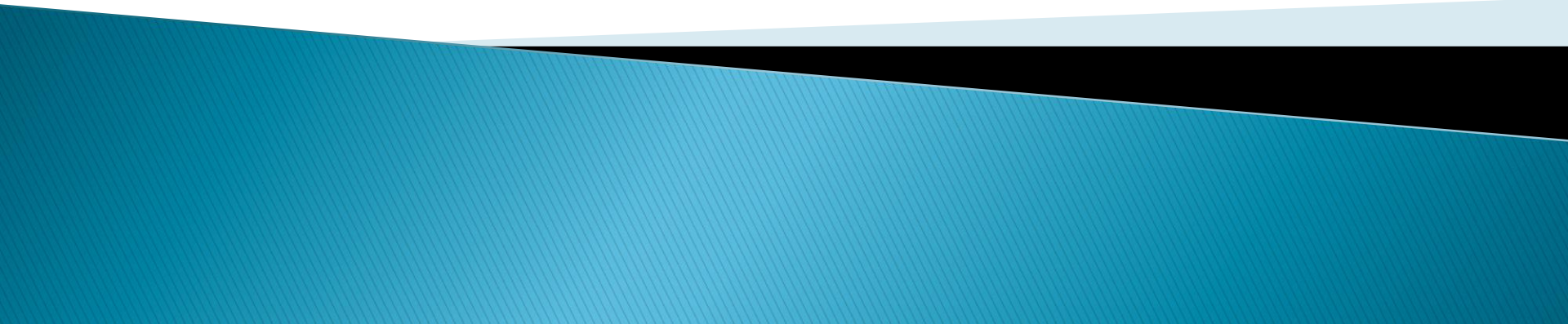
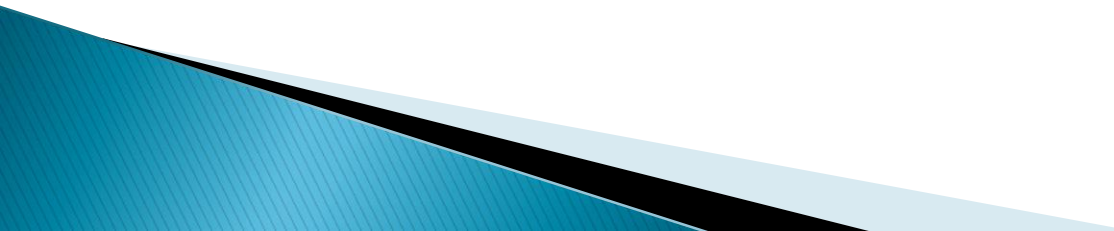


Miami-Dade County Analysis of Incorporation and Annexation within the Unincorporated Area



Purpose of the Study

- ▶ **Recommend the best of four options to future Incorporation and Annexation within the County**
 - Full Incorporation or Annexation
 - No further Incorporation, only Annexation
 - No further Incorporations or Annexations
 - Increased Metropolitan governance at the County level
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Basic Question

- ▶ Should the County Commission refocus to only address major issues of county-wide and regional significance
 - General functions to be addressed by Local Units of Government

Legal Issues

- ▶ **At present, full incorporation is not possible without a Charter change**
 - Some neighborhoods are opposed to becoming a part of a municipality
- ▶ **The Broward County example was only possible because of an Act of the Legislature**
 - Neighborhoods were required to choose an adjoining municipality or form their own
 - Full incorporation has not occurred

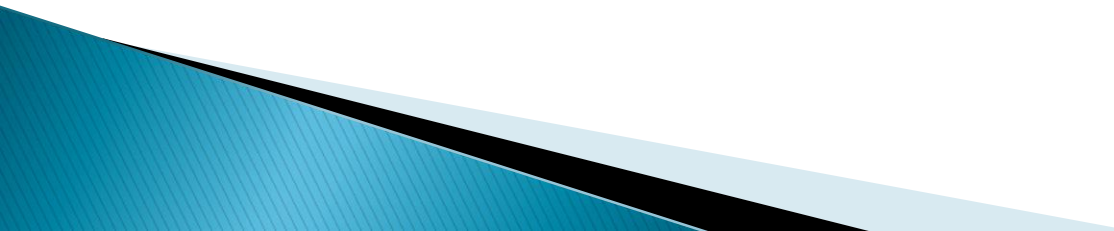
Fiscal Issues

- ▶ All unincorporated area cannot be Incorporated or Annexed, some form of UMSA must remain
 - Area outside of the UDB
 - Environmentally Sensitive Lands
 - ▶ If a small amount of Incorporation or Annexation occurs (10%), the fiscal impact will be minimal
 - ▶ As the amount of the UMSA area decreases, the fiscal pressure on the UMSA and General Fund budget will grow significantly possibly making it untenable to remain unincorporated
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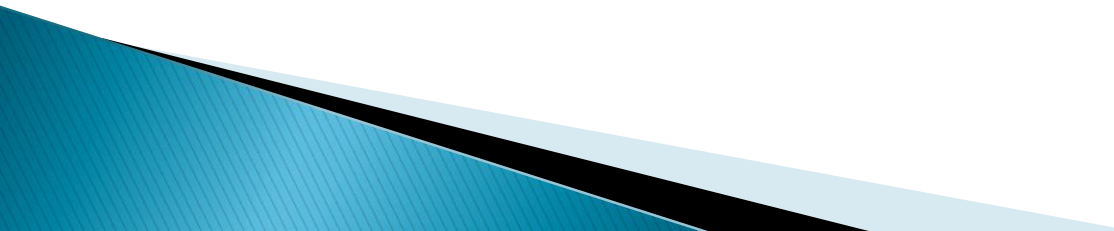
Options

- ▶ **Two options have been presented for consideration by the Commission**
 - **Option A – Full Incorporation**
 - **Option B – Incorporation or Annexation based feasibility or desirability**

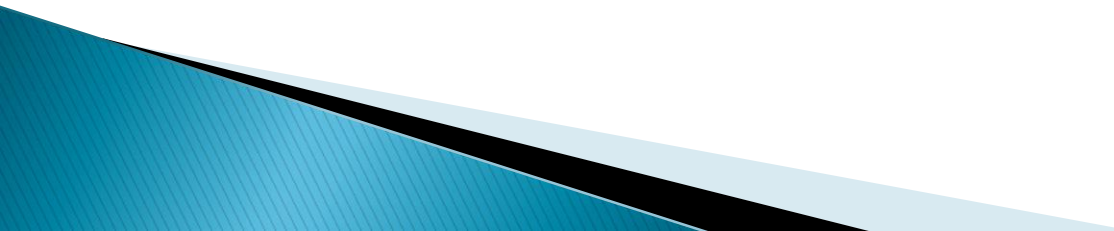
Changes to Procedure Regardless of Option

- ▶ Any Incorporation or Annexation proposal cannot result in an Enclave
 - ▶ All proposals must contain an acceptance of the County policies on environmental issues and transportation nodes
 - ▶ Adopt a new policy regarding Areas or Facilities of Countywide Significance
 - ▶ Establish a minimum size for new municipalities
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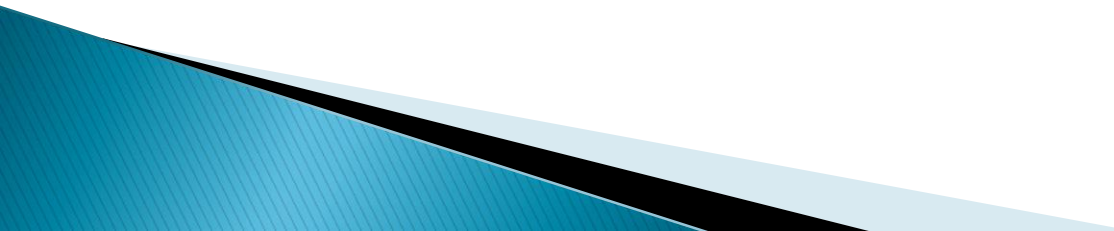
Changes to Procedure Regardless of Option

- ▶ Where a referendum is not required (less than 250 electors), require the consent of businesses for annexation
 - ▶ Continue County operation of CRAs
 - ▶ MACS should not be limited to County Commission boundaries
 - ▶ Give preference to MACS where there is a conflict between their boundaries and an annexation application
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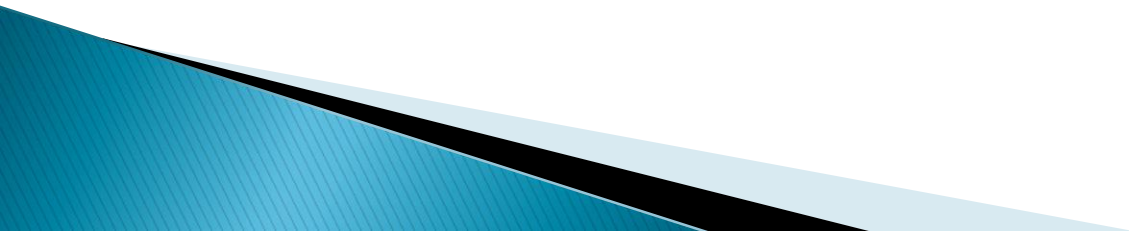
Changes to Procedure Regardless of Option

- ▶ **Insure consideration of low-income areas**
 - Annexations of high-income areas should be offset by low-income areas
 - MAC areas cannot exclude low-income areas
 - No enclaves can be permitted particularly if they are low-income areas
 - ▶ **Prohibit small area annexation (Cherry Picking)**
 - ▶ **Prohibit irregular boundaries**
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Next Steps

- ▶ Discussion at Committee level and then full Commission
 - ▶ Consider Code changes for portions of the recommendations
 - ▶ Discuss long-range policy
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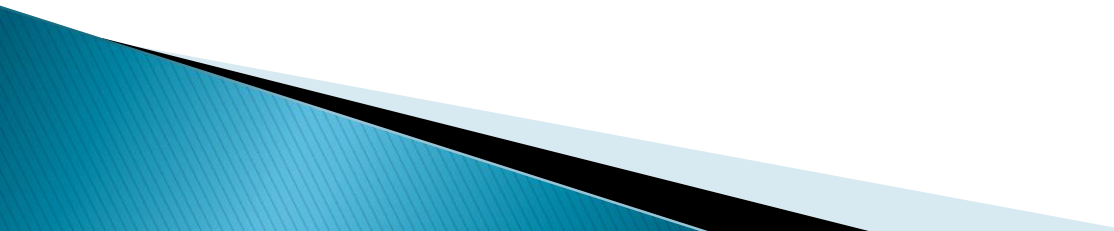
Annexation Applications



Annexation Applications Recommended Approvals

- ▶ **North Miami Beach**
 - ▶ **North Miami – Sunkist Grove**
 - ▶ **North Miami – Gratigny**
 - ▶ **North Miami – NE 149th Street**
 - ▶ **Opa locka – Area A**
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Annexation Applications Approvals with Changes

- ▶ **Coral Gables – Include all of the High Pines area**
 - ▶ **Florida City “D” –Remove enclaves**
 - ▶ **Florida City “H” –Remove enclaves**
 - ▶ **Opa locka Area “B” – Wait for decision on North Central MAC**
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Annexation Applications

Recommended Denials

- ▶ **North Miami Biscayne Corridor**
 - Cherry Picking
 - Neighborhoods split
 - ▶ **Biscayne Park**
 - Cherry Picking
 - Neighborhoods split
 - ▶ **Miami Shores**
 - Cherry Picking
 - Neighborhoods split
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