




MEMORANDUM
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Date: October 31, 2008

TO: Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

FROM: 
Carlos Alvarez, Mayor
Miami-Dade County

SUBJECT: Transit Summit

This November will mark the sixth anniversary of the passage of the People's Transportation Plan (PTP). While we have made significant strides with implementing many of the short-term mandates of the PTP, there is reason for concern on how we move forward with the long-term projects that were promised given Miami-Dade Transit's long standing financial issues. These issues have been discussed at great length at recent County Commission meetings and culminated with a proposal from Commissioner Moss to assemble a Transit Summit to engage the public in a discussion on how we move forward.

The Transit Summit will take place on Saturday, November 15, 2008, at the Miami Mart Airport Hotel at the Convention Center, 711 NW 72 Avenue, Miami, from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. (flyer attached). This hotel is a fitting venue considering that it is the same place where the inaugural summits of the PTP took place in 2002 during the campaign to promote its passage.

It is our desire to give the public a better understanding of what the PTP has accomplished, what changes have been made and what challenges and choices we now face moving forward to implement a viable transit expansion program for Miami-Dade County. More importantly, the summit is designed to solicit the public's input and ideas on where we go from here.

The summit will culminate with a roundtable discussion which will include the entire Board of County Commissioners and select local and civic leaders involved in this community's transportation future. County staff will be contacting each of you to brief you on your role in the program for November 15.

Should you require additional information, please contact Harpal S. Kapoor, Director, MDT, at 786.469.5410.

Attachment

c: Denis Morales, Chief of Staff, Office of the Mayor
George Burgess, County Manager
Ysela Llort, Assistant County Manager
Harpal S. Kapoor, Director, MDT



On behalf of Miami-Dade County Mayor Carlos Alvarez,
Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro and the Board of County Commissioners
you are cordially invited
to attend the

People's Transportation Plan Summit

Saturday, November 15, 2008

8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Convention Center

at the

Miami Mart Airport Hotel

711 NW 72 Avenue

Miami, FL 33126

*Find out what the People's Transportation Plan (PTP) has accomplished
and what challenges and choices we now face as a community moving forward.
Don't miss this opportunity to share your ideas with us.*

Free bus service will be available from the following locations departing at 8 a.m.:

- Golden Glades Park & Ride lot
- Palmetto Metrorail Station
- Florida International University – SW 107th Avenue and 16th Street
- Dadeland North Metrorail Station
- Washington Avenue and Lincoln Road in Miami Beach

To take advantage of this free bus service, you must call 786-469-5550
or send an email to mdt outreach@miamidade.gov.

For additional information, call 311.

A complimentary Continental breakfast and a light lunch will be provided.

