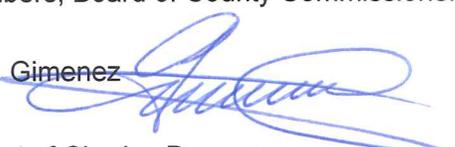


Memorandum



Date: January 14, 2014

To: Honorable Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: Carlos A. Gimenez 
Mayor

Subject: Retirement of Charles Danger

As you may be aware, Charles Danger will be retiring from County service later this month. Mr. Danger has had a distinguished career in this government, having led one of the busiest building departments in this nation for much of his tenure. He was instrumental in the rebuilding of the County in the aftermath of Hurricane Andrew, and this community is much indebted to him. Please join me in wishing him a warm farewell; his knowledge and good humor will be missed.

Mr. Danger's last day in the office prior to retirement is January 24, 2014. In accordance with the requirements of Chapter 468 of the Florida Statutes and Sec. 8-21.1. of the Miami-Dade County Code, Ms. Juliana Salas will be appointed as Building Official effective close of business that day. Ms. Salas has long acted as Mr. Danger's Deputy Building Official, and is well qualified to fulfill the responsibilities of this role as reflected in the attached resume. As the County's Building Official, Ms. Salas will oversee the daily operations of the County's Permitting and Inspection Center under the Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources (RER).

Please do not hesitate to contact me or Jack Osterholt, Deputy Mayor/Director, RER, should you have any questions.

Attachment

c: Honorable Harvey Ruvin, Clerk of the Courts
Robert A. Cuevas, Jr., County Attorney
Office of the Mayor Senior Staff
Department Directors
Charles Anderson, Commission Auditor

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Juliana H. Salas, P.E.

EDUCATION

December 1997	Master of Science in Civil Engineering (Structural) Florida International University
July 1977	Bachelor of Science with a Major in Civil Engineering, University of Havana

CERTIFICATIONS/LICENSES

State of Florida Licensed Professional Engineer - 1985
Miami Dade Board of Rules and Appeals Certified Structural Plan Examiner - 1993
State of Florida Licensed Building Code Administrator, Standard Plans Examiner and Inspector - 1995

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Society of Civil Engineers
Florida Structural Engineers Association

EDUCATIONAL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Adjunct Lecturer on Structural Design, Florida International University, 1989-1990
Hurricane Andrew Damage Evaluation Effort, 1992
Florida Board of Professional Engineers continuing education provider since 2006
Florida Board of Architecture and Interior Design continuing education provider since 2007

WORK EXPERIENCE

Miami Dade County, Regulatory and Economic Resources Department; October 2011 to present
Position held: Deputy Building Official and Operations Coordinator - Construction, Permitting & Building Codes Division.

Responsibilities: Provided overall direction to the Permit and Inspection Center, second to the assistant director, with over three hundred (300) employees and an annual fiscal responsibility of around forty (40) million dollars. Major duties include: provide building permit services and enforce all applicable construction regulations including building, zoning, paving and drainage, impact fee, concurrency and environmental protection regulations among others; enforcement of neighborhood regulations; approval of construction products; certification of manufacturing plants; issuance of local construction licenses; issuance of code official certifications; and administrative support to the Board of Rules and Appeals, the Construction Trades Qualifying Boards, the Unsafe Structures Board and the Unsafe Structure Appeals Panel.

Major Accomplishments: Merged Environmental and Zoning/Public Works Plan Review units into the Construction, Permitting and Building Codes Division; completed projects that streamline services, such as the City of Miami Lakes e-Municipal Review and the Business Start-Up Assistance; implemented legislation that streamlines the renewal of contractor licenses and that established a legal mechanism to delegate flood plain responsibilities; participated in the development of the Florida Building Code 5th Edition as Technical Advisory Committee members of the Florida Building Commission; entered into a collaboration agreement with Florida International University to participate as a member of the Wall of Wind Technical Advisory Committee; and hosted 15 annual complimentary continuing education workshops for design professionals.

Miami Dade County, Building & Neighborhood Compliance Department; November 1998 to September 2011
Position held: Deputy Director

Responsibilities: Provided overall direction to the department, second to the director, with over three hundred (300) employees and an annual fiscal responsibility of around forty (40) million dollars. The department's major duties included: building permit services and enforcement of building codes and construction regulations; enforcement of neighborhood regulations; approval of construction products; certification of manufacturing plants; issuance of local construction licenses; issuance of code official certifications; and administrative support to the Board of Rules and Appeals, the Construction Trades Qualifying Boards, the Unsafe Structures Board and the Unsafe Structure Appeals Panel.

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Major Accomplishments: The merger and restructure of three county departments (Building, ONC, BCCO); implementation of expenditure reduction measures in response to financial distress of the departments merged without service reduction; expanded the department's online services to allow lending institutions registration of liens and properties; integrated the enforcement management systems with the Clerk of the Court for electronic recordation of documents and with the US Postal Office Direct Mail Service to increase staff efficiency and hosted 15 complimentary continuing education seminars; the implementation of customer service enhancements, such as the online and voice response services; the implementation of staff efficiency enhancements, such as the mobile inspection system, the electronic enforcement system, e-tickets and concurrent electronic review of construction documents; the implementation of management efficiency and staff accountability enhancements, such as vehicle locator system; plans tracking and quality control of plan review and inspections; applied and obtained certification from the State of Florida Architecture and Engineering Boards and hosted 15 complimentary continuing education workshops every year; developed and published online plan review and inspection guidelines for the use patrons.

Miami Dade County, Building Code Compliance Office, March 1995 to October 1998

Position held: Code Compliance Officer 2

Responsibilities: Assisted building officials with the application of the code and with the investigation and identification of building code violations. Provided technical support to the Board of Rules and Appeals, recommended code changes and prepared and conducted technical seminars for code officials.

Major Accomplishments: Investigated complaints regarding construction and uncovered structural deficiencies representing a life safety concern in buildings such as the Dadeland Station Mall, Tequesta Tower, Miami Beach Lowes Hotel, Florida City Villas of Palm Bay, and others.

Miami Dade County, Building and Zoning Department; May 1993 to February 1995

Position held: Structural Plans Examiner

Responsibilities: Examined construction documents of complex commercial, residential and industrial projects for structural adequacy and compliance with the building code.

Miami Dade County, Solid Waste Management Department; April 1991 to May 1993

Position held: Engineer 2

Responsibilities: Supervised the design and development of construction documents for Solid Waste Management projects including new facilities or renovation and repair of existing facilities (transfer stations, shredding, and separation and disposal facilities).

The Association of School Consultant; January 1991 to April 1991

Position held: Project Engineer

Responsibilities: Northwestern Senior High School Auditorium and Gymnasium, structural design.

Brill Engineering; June 1988 to December 1990; November 1981 to September 1986

Position held: Project Manager

Responsibilities: Supervised the structural design and development of plans for new construction, alterations and repairs of commercial and residential buildings (hospitals, colleges, churches, medical and apartment buildings, warehouses, parking buildings, etc.); coordinated and performed inspection of construction in progress.

Cantor, Seinuk, Puig; October 1986 to May 1988

Position held: Project Manager

Responsibilities: Supervised the structural design and development of construction documents for new construction and alteration and repair of commercial and residential buildings (high-rise buildings, hotels, retail, parking structures, etc); coordinated and performed inspection of construction in progress.

Crowder Mahoney; July 1980 to October 1981

Position held: Junior Engineer

Responsibilities: Design and drafting of civil engineering projects

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ADDITIONAL SKILLS

Languages

- English (Fluently)
- Spanish (Fluently)

Computer Programs

- Microsoft Office
- Various structural analysis and design software
- AutoCAD