

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OFFICE OF THE COMMISSION AUDITOR

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Esteban Bovo Jr., Chairman

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Neil R. Singh, CPA

Acting Commission Auditor

DATE: September 1, 2017

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Proposed Budget – Committee of the Whole

Pursuant to Ordinance No. 15-44, the Office of the Commission Auditor has prepared the above subject report with the issues raised at the Committee of the Whole.

Should you require additional information, feel free to contact me at (305) 375-2524.

Attachment

c: Honorable Carlos Gimenez, Mayor Abigail Price-Williams, County Attorney Edward Marquez, Deputy Mayor Jennifer Moon, Director, Office of Management and Budget

Christopher Agrippa, Director, Clerk of the Board

Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Wednesday, August 30, 2017

Commissioner Jordan

- Community Based Organizations (CBOs) Support option B for allocations.
- Transit and Public Works Concerned about massive cuts in transit routes and the elimination of 40 vacant positions. Transit needs to be reviewed and reconsidered.
- PHCD Wants more details about the Mayor's memo that mentioned that PHCD has a carryover in expenditures pending of \$225 million in Affordable Housing funding.
- Pay Plan Asked for the steps for the new pay plan, and the rate for the pay plan and whether COLA is included.

Commissioner Sosa

- CBOs Concerned about how funds are distributed between districts.
- Wants clarifications about which districts the CBOs serve.
- Wants to track and eliminate the CBOs that make mistakes or do not follow the rules.
- Wants Uber to pay their fees.
- Wants more Police officers and Fire Rescue in Miami-Dade County especially in the Airport and the Seaport areas.
- Transportation and Public Works She requested a meeting with the Mayor to talk about the differences in those two departments.
- Wants an adjustment in Aviation budget to add more cameras.
- Concerned about OCA's budget and staffing.
- Ludlam Trail- discussion with the Mayor.

Commissioner Heyman

- CBOs Support option B for allocations.
- Solid Waste supports the increase and the True-up program.

Commissioner Monestime

• CBOs - Support option B for allocations.

Commissioner Levine Cava

- Police Wants more police officers on the street.
- Transit Wants restoration of rush hour services, and Metrorail repairs.
- Animal Services would like the budget to be increased.
- Illegal dumping needs to be fixed; supports new drop-offs for disposal.
- CBOs Wanted clarification of CBO funding. She did not have a preference for any of the plans.

Commissioner Suarez

- Concerned about PBA, in terms of safety, and he wants an adjustment to the budget for Police Department (understaffing issues).
- Concerned about the Affordable Housing allocated funding of \$4.0 million in Trust funds.

Commissioner Martinez and Senator Souto

• Concerned about County support for the Clerks of Courts.