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2A 170405	<p>RESOLUTION SETTING POLICY FOR MIAMI-DADE COUNTY; PROHIBITING COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS FROM PERFORMING THE FUNCTIONS OF FEDERAL IMMIGRATION OFFICERS PURSUANT TO THE JANUARY 25, 2017 EXECUTIVE ORDER</p>
Notes	<p>The proposed resolution sets Miami-Dade County policy to prohibit County law enforcement officers from performing the functions of federal immigration officers pursuant to the Executive Order signed by President Donald J. Trump.</p> <p><u>Background</u> On January 25, 2017, President Donald J. Trump signed an Executive Order entitled, “Enhancing Public Safety in the Interior of the United States” (Executive Order) directing the Secretary of Homeland Security to “take appropriate action, through agreements under section 287(g) of the INA, or otherwise, to authorize state and local law enforcement officials . . . to perform the functions of immigration officers” and authorizing local law enforcement to perform the functions of immigration officers may undermine the trust between local law enforcement and the immigrant community of Miami-Dade County.</p> <p>The Executive Order notes any agreements between the Secretary of Homeland Security and local law enforcement to perform the functions of immigration officers will be entered into “with the consent of state or local officials.”</p> <p><u>Additional Information</u> On December 3, 2013, the BCC, through Resolution No. R-1008-13, directed the Mayor or designee to implement a policy whereby Miami-Dade Corrections and Rehabilitations Department may, in its discretion, honor detainer requests issued by United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement only if the federal government agrees in writing to reimburse Miami-Dade County for any and all costs relating to compliance with such detainer requests and the inmate that is the subject of such a request has a previous conviction for a Forcible Felony, as defined in Florida Statute section 776.08, or the inmate that is the subject of such a request has, at the time the Miami-Dade Corrections and Rehabilitations Department receives the detainer request, a pending charge of a non-bondable offense, as provided by Article I, Section 14 of the Florida Constitution, regardless of whether bond is eventually granted.</p> <p>On February 17, 2017 the BCC held a Special Meeting to consider matters related to the County’s policy regarding immigration detainer requests from the United States Department of Homeland Security Immigration and Customs Enforcement as set forth in Resolution No. R-1008-13.</p> <p>The following resolutions were adopted by the BCC at the February 17, 2017 Special Meeting: Resolution No. R-163-17 provides for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reaffirms its position that, with respect to immigration detainer requests, Miami-Dade County remains fully compliant with the United States Constitution and all applicable federal laws; • Amends Resolution No. R-1008-13 to direct the Mayor or designee to ensure that, related to immigration detainer requests, Miami-Dade County: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1. Remains fully compliant with all applicable federal laws and the United States Constitution; ○ 2. Is cooperating with the federal government to the extent permissible by law; ○ 3. Rejects any label or designation as a “sanctuary jurisdiction” pursuant to the recent Executive Order; ○ 4. Protects the taxpayers of Miami-Dade County from any actions to render the County ineligible for current or future federal funding; ○ 5. Continues to require the federal government to show probable cause on all immigration detainer requests; and ○ 6. Will no longer require the federal government to reimburse Miami-Dade County for any and all costs relating to compliance with ICE detainer requests. • Rejects any label or designation of Miami-Dade County as a “sanctuary jurisdiction”, “sanctuary city”, or “sanctuary county” when there is no black letter law or Webster’s definition of such terms and when such label or designation will likely result in adverse consequences to the people of Miami-Dade County; and

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remains committed to the position that all fundamental human rights should be protected. <p>Resolution No. R-164-17 provides for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Directs the County Attorney’s Office, upon receipt of written notice from the federal government of Miami-Dade County’s ineligibility to receive federal funding or denial of federal funding on the basis of the County’s immigration detainee policy, to take the appropriate legal steps to challenge such action. <p><u>Additional Information</u> http://www.governing.com/topics/public-justice-safety/tns-miami-immigration-ruling.html According to the article:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Miami-Dade County faced with threats by President Donald Trump to cut off federal funding violated the U.S. Constitution when it agreed to jail people slated for deportation, a judge ruled on Friday.</i> <i>Circuit Judge Milton Hirsch wrote that the policy violated the 10th Amendment, which limits the reach of the federal government over states. "Of course we must protect our country from the problems associated with unregulated immigration," Hirsch wrote. "We must protect our country from a great many things; but from nothing so much as from the loss of our historic rights and liberties."</i> <i>The immediate impact of the ruling was unclear. For one thing, the judge did not explicitly order Miami-Dade jailers to stop honoring requests by the federal government to hold people marked for deportation or suspected of violating immigration laws. Hirsch's ruling also could be delayed by more litigation.</i> <i>The county immediately filed a notice of appeal with the Third District Court of Appeal. "It is Miami-Dade County's position that immigration is a federal issue which should be handled in federal court," according to a mayor's spokesman.</i>
2B 170409	RESOLUTION SETTING POLICY FOR MIAMI-DADE COUNTY ESTABLISHING THE MINIMUM VOLUNTEER AGE AT MIAMI-DADE ANIMAL SERVICES AT 16 YEARS OF AGE AND DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO DEVELOP A PLAN FOR VOLUNTEERS 16 TO 18 YEARS OF AGE
Notes	<p>The proposed resolution sets Miami-Dade County policy to establish the minimum volunteer age at Miami-Dade Animal Services at 16 years of age and directs the County Mayor to develop a plan and procedures, to present to the BCC within 90 days, for providing volunteer opportunities for 16 to 18 year olds consistent with the policy.</p> <p><u>Background</u> The current minimum age for volunteers at Miami-Dade Animal Services is 18 years of age. Through volunteering, youth can develop the requisite experience, skills, and work ethic for future employment. Miami-Dade Public Schools and many private and charter schools require that students perform volunteer service prior to graduation. The proposed resolution seeks to provide more youth with volunteer opportunities at Miami-Dade County Animal Services and changing the minimum volunteer age from 18 years of age to 16 years of age is consistent with this goal. Miami-Dade Animal Services Department encourages volunteer participation in meeting their mission of re-homing and caring for abandoned cats and dogs.</p>
2C 170545	RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT SURPLUS PROPERTY; WAIVING, BY A TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT, THE PROCEDURE FOR DISPOSITION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY; AUTHORIZING THE DONATION OF SUCH EQUIPMENT TO THE CITY OF ROATAN, HONDURAS FIRE DEPARTMENT; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE A FOREIGN GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY DONATION AGREEMENT, TO EXERCISE ANY AND ALL OTHER RIGHTS CONFERRED THEREIN AND TO TAKE ANY AND ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE FOREGOING
2D 170547	RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT SURPLUS PROPERTY; WAIVING, BY A TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT, THE PROCEDURE FOR DISPOSITION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY; AUTHORIZING THE DONATION OF SUCH EQUIPMENT TO THE CITY OF PALIN, GUATEMALA FIRE DEPARTMENT; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE A FOREIGN GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY DONATION AGREEMENT, TO EXERCISE ANY AND ALL OTHER RIGHTS CONFERRED THEREIN AND TO TAKE ANY AND ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE FOREGOING

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2E 170550	RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT SURPLUS PROPERTY; WAIVING, BY A TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT, THE PROCEDURE FOR DISPOSITION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY; AUTHORIZING THE DONATION OF SUCH EQUIPMENT TO THE CITY OF ASUNCION, PARAGUAY FIRE DEPARTMENT; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE A FOREIGN GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY DONATION AGREEMENT, TO EXERCISE ANY AND ALL OTHER RIGHTS CONFERRED THEREIN AND TO TAKE ANY AND ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE FOREGOING
2F 170551	RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT SURPLUS PROPERTY; WAIVING, BY A TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT, THE PROCEDURE FOR DISPOSITION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY; AUTHORIZING THE DONATION OF SUCH EQUIPMENT TO THE CITY OF CHICHIGALPA, NICARAGUA FIRE DEPARTMENT; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE A FOREIGN GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY DONATION AGREEMENT, TO EXERCISE ANY AND ALL OTHER RIGHTS CONFERRED THEREIN AND TO TAKE ANY AND ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE FOREGOING
Notes	<p>The proposed resolutions provide for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Declares certain firefighting equipment surplus, obsolete and cannot legally be used by another County department, a municipality in Miami-Dade County or an eligible community based organization; • Declare such equipment, with the listed residual value and other characteristics, to be surplus pursuant to chapter 274, Florida Statutes, and section 2-11.2.1 of the Code; • Waive by a two-thirds vote of members present and pursuant to subsection (d) of section 2-11.2.1 of the Code, the procedure for the disposition of County surplus property set forth in subsection (b) of section 2-11.2.1 of the Code, and donate the equipment to the Donee; • Authorize the County Mayor or designee to execute the foreign governmental entity donation agreement with the Donee; and • The Donee will take possession of the equipment within 60 days of the effective date of this resolution and will be responsible for any and all costs of transferring the equipment. If, for any reason, the Donee fails to take possession of the equipment within 60 days of the effective date of this resolution, then this resolution will be null and void, and the ownership rights to the equipment will revert back to the County. <p><u>2C- 170545</u> The following firefighting equipment is obsolete and cannot legally be used by another County department, a municipality in Miami-Dade County or an eligible community based organization. The City of Roatan, Honduras Fire Department (Donee) has expressed an interest in the property and desires to use the equipment within the Country of Honduras:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 50 Sets of Turnout Gear: Coats & Pants; Est. Value \$5,000; • 50 Fire Helmets; Est. Value \$500; and • 50 Sets of Fire Boots; Est. Value \$500. <p><u>2D- 170547</u> The following firefighting equipment is obsolete and cannot legally be used by another County department, a municipality in Miami-Dade County or an eligible community based organization. The City of Palin, Guatemala Fire Department (Donee) has expressed an interest in the property and desires to use the equipment within the Country of Guatemala:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 50 Sets of Turnout Gear: Coats & Pants; Est. Value \$5,000; • 50 Fire Helmets; Est. Value \$500; and • 50 Sets of Fire Boots; Est. Value \$500. <p><u>2E- 170550</u> The following firefighting equipment is obsolete and cannot legally be used by another County department, a municipality in Miami-Dade County or an eligible community based organization. The Cuerpo de Bomberos Voluntarios de Asuncion, Paraguay—the City of Asuncion, Paraguay Fire Department—(Donee) has expressed an interest in the property and desires to use the equipment within the Country of Paraguay:</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 50 Sets of Turnout Gear: Coats & Pants; Est. Value \$5,000; and • 50 Sets of Fire Boots; Est. Value \$500. <p><u>2F- 170551</u> The following firefighting equipment is obsolete and cannot legally be used by another County department, a municipality in Miami-Dade County or an eligible community based organization. The City of Chichigalpa, Nicaragua Fire Department (Donee) has expressed an interest in the property and desires to use the equipment within the Country of Nicaragua:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 50 Sets of Turnout Gear: Coats & Pants; Est. Value \$5,000; • 50 Fire Helmets; Est. Value \$500; and • 50 Sets of Fire Boots; Est. Value \$500.
3A 170495	<p>RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$700,000.00 FOR SALE AND PURCHASE BETWEEN MARTIN A. KAYE, MICHAEL KAYE, AND KRISTEEN KAYE, AS SELLERS, AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, AS BUYER, FOR APPROXIMATELY 43,631 SQUARE FEET OF LAND IMPROVED WITH AN APPROXIMATE 4,819 SQUARE FOOT STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 18198 OLD CUTLER ROAD, VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY, FLORIDA FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING PALMETTO BAY FIRE RESCUE STATION 74; AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF UP TO \$15,000.00 FOR CLOSING COSTS; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT, EXERCISE ANY AND ALL RIGHTS CONFERRED THEREIN, TO TAKE ALL OTHER ACTIONS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE SAID PURCHASE AND ACCEPT CONVEYANCE OF PROPERTY BY WARRANTY DEED; AND DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO RECORD SUCH DEED</p>
Notes	<p>The proposed resolution approves a Contract for Sale and Purchase between Miami-Dade County, the buyer, and Martin A. Kaye, Michael Kaye, and Kristeen Kaye, the sellers. More specifically, the proposed resolution provides for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authorizes the acquisition of a property (Folio No. 33-5034-023-0510) with approximately 43,631 square feet of land improved with an approximate 4,819 square foot structure located at 18198 Old Cutler Road, Village of Palmetto Bay, Florida, intended for demolition to allow for the construction of Palmetto Bay Fire Rescue Station 74; • Authorizes the County Mayor or designee to execute the Contract for Sale and Purchase in the amount of \$700,000 plus closing costs of approximately \$15,000, bringing the total fiscal impact to \$715,000; and • Authorizes the County Mayor or designee to accept the conveyance by Warranty Deed, to record the instrument of conveyance in the public records of Miami-Dade County, and to exercise any and all other rights in the Contract for Sale and Purchase. <p><u>Fiscal Impact/Funding Source</u> The estimated total cost of the acquisition is \$715,000 (i.e., \$700,000 for the purchase of real property and \$15,000 for closing costs). The funding source for the acquisition and future construction of Palmetto Bay Fire Rescue Station 74 is from District 4 Fire Impact Fees.</p> <p><u>Background</u> The property consists of an approximate 43,631 square foot site which has been selected by the Fire Rescue Department to construct the Palmetto Bay Fire Rescue Station 74. The site is improved with a residential structure that will be demolished upon purchase of the land. The proposed station will serve the residents of Palmetto Bay as well as Pinecrest, Cutler Bay, and unincorporated Miami-Dade County. The estimated construction cost is \$3,500,000.</p> <p>FOLIO NUMBER: 33-5034-023-0510</p> <p>ZONING: E-1, Estate Residential, Village of Palmetto Bay. Purchase is contingent upon site plan approval for the proposed fire station.</p> <p>APPRAISAL DATA: Two (2) independent real estate appraisals were procured in August 2016 by the Internal Services Department with market value conclusions of \$670,000 and \$730,000.</p>

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	<p>CONTINGENCIES: The Contract for Sale and Purchase is contingent upon receiving site plan approval for the fire station from the Village of Palmetto Bay. The Fire Rescue Department, in conjunction with the property owners, submitted the zoning hearing application to the Village on October 28, 2016, followed by transmittal of plans the week of November 28, 2016. The Village Council heard the item on February 13, 2017, requested that the Fire Rescue Department hold an additional workshop to discuss the proposed station construction with neighbors, and deferred the item to March 6, 2017 to allow for same.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What was the outcome of the additional workshop? • What happened at the March 6, 2017 Village Council meeting? <p><u>Additional Information</u> According to the Miami-Dade County Property Appraiser’s website:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The 2016 Market Value for Folio #33-5034-023-0510 is \$654,298; and • The 2016 Assessed Value is \$564,880.
3B 170497	<p>RESOLUTION APPROVING THE TERMS OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND MOTOR VEHICLES AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, THROUGH THE MIAMI-DADE FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT, REGARDING ACCESS TO THE DRIVER AND VEHICLE INFORMATION DATABASE SYSTEM; AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR THE MAYOR’S DESIGNEES TO EXECUTE THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING, APPROVE AMENDMENTS UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES AND EXERCISE OTHER PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN</p>
Notes	<p>The proposed resolution authorizes the County Mayor or designee to execute the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (DHSMV) and Miami-Dade County, through the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department (MDFR), to access the Driver and Vehicle Information Database System (DAVID) to comply with the MDFR’s statutory and administrative rule requirements. This MOU will become effective once signed by both the Florida DHSMV and Miami-Dade County, and will continue for a period of four (4) years.</p> <p><u>Fiscal Impact/Funding Source</u> MDFR will be able to access the information in the DAVID system at no cost.</p> <p><u>Background</u> The Florida DHSMV collects and maintains personal information which is stored in DAVID. This database provides vital information such as driver license history, signature, photographs, and other information. Based upon the nature of this information, the Florida DHSMV administers DAVID in strict compliance with federal and state statutory requirements, and, in turn, requires that same strict compliance of MDFR, to which it provides access. MDFR must comply with statutory requirements, as well as administrative policies and procedures, that govern this information. This partnership with the Florida DHSMV and access to DAVID is vital to the daily work of MDFR to ensure that statutory and/or administrative rule requirements are met. The Florida DHSMV clearly specifies the conditions and limitations under which the Florida DHSMV agrees to provide electronic access to DAVID information to MDFR.</p>
3C 170462	<p>RESOLUTION APPROVING MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND THE FLORIDA DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TO PROVIDE A MASS EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM FOR MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AT NO COST TO THE COUNTY; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR THE COUNTY MAYOR’S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT AND TO EXERCISE THE PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN</p>
Notes	<p>The proposed resolution approves the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM) and Miami-Dade County (County) on behalf of the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department (MDFR) to utilize the notification system provided by FDEM to transmit alerts, notifications, and other authorized public safety messaging to residents, businesses, and visitors located in or transiting through the County at no cost. The MOA will become effective on the date of execution by the last signing party through the duration of services provided under FDEM’s contract DEM-16-PG-E4-13-00-22-379. This MOA will be effective until June 30, 2019.</p>

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	<p><u>Fiscal Impact/Funding Source</u> There is no associated fiscal impact to the County with the approval of this MOA. FDEM is funding and providing the notification system at no cost to eligible governmental entities for the initial contract and all renewal years through June 30, 2019.</p> <p><u>Background</u> In 2015, the Florida Legislature made revisions to Section 252.35(2)(a)6 of the Florida Statutes legislating FDEM to “establish a system of communications and warning to ensure that the state’s population and emergency management agencies are warned of developing emergency situations and can communicate emergency response decisions.” As such, FDEM and Emergency Management Agencies, including MDFR’s OEM are the only eligible users of the Statewide Notification System services provided under FDEM’s contract with Everbridge, Inc. The County’s responsibilities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Administering access of the Everbridge system between municipal emergency management agencies and FDEM; • Using of the system at no cost to the County for notifications of population protective actions, emergency preparedness and response information, disaster recovery information, automated weather warnings; • Assisting with law enforcement searches; and • Recalling County employees, contractors, and other response partners. <p>By approving the attached MOA, OEM will act as a liaison, administering the use of the notification system provided by FDEM to facilitate its use by the County and municipalities to transmit alerts, notifications, and other authorized public safety messaging to residents, businesses, employees, and visitors located in or transiting throughout the County. Several municipalities have previously communicated a desire to implement an alert and notification system but have noted it was cost prohibitive.</p> <p>OEM utilizes the County’s existing mass call and text notification system, Miami-Dade Alerts, which is currently in the first year of a two-year contract with Airbus DS Communications Inc. for software support to the County’s existing notification system. The County’s initial contract with Airbus DS Communications Inc. for \$220,803 expires July 31, 2018, after which the County has three (3), one-year options to renew. Five (5) County departments can access this contract: Department of Transportation and Public Works, Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department, Miami-Dade Police Department, Information Technology Department, and MDFR, although the Information Technology Department has the only contract allocation. OEM will examine the efficacy of the FDEM’s system in comparison to the agreement with Everbridge and make a recommendation to Information Technology Department as to which system should be adopted by OEM for alert and notification purposes prior to expiration of the County’s current contract.</p> <p><u>Additional Information-BCC Legislation- Other Warning Systems</u> On May 8, 2007, the BCC, through Resolution No. R-592-07, directed the County Manager to study the feasibility and effectiveness of establishing a warning system that alerts the public of imminent severe weather conditions such as tornados, using methods such as sirens and automated phone and text messaging warnings, and to report back to the BCC within 90 days.</p> <p>On December 18, 2007, the County Manager presented a Report, to the BCC, in response to Resolution No. R-592-07. The report stated the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current public warning capabilities consist of two national avenues for communicating among emergency managers and warning originators; two federally led systems for communicating directly to the public; and a wide variety of warning systems designed, installed, and operated by private industry. Miami-Dade County currently has access to a variety of these systems to ensure information is available to the public during times of emergencies. There are several systems in place that include products maintained and operated by federal agencies and products for sale by the private sector. Some of the emergency alert systems operated by various government agencies include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ National Warning System (NAWAS) ○ NOAA Weather Wire Service (NWWS) ○ Emergency Alert System (EAS) ○ NOAA “All-Hazards” Emergency Notifications-Known as the NOAA Weather Radio (NWR)

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Emergency Alert System formerly known as the Emergency Broadcast System • In addition to the federal agencies there are systems available at the state level. The State of Florida and its seven domestic security regions have internal systems in place to share sensitive, homeland security related information. All of these systems require security clearances and are used by public safety organizations and their personnel. Several commonly used programs include the Homeland Security Information Network, ThreatCom, and Law Enforcement Online. • Reverse 911 Telephone Notification System allows first responders to use a reverse 911 software program to notify residents and businesses about a potential emergency circumstance by telephone. Media-based emergency notification systems offer email subscription notifications of current events such as weather events, breaking news, traffic delays, etc. • Lastly, audible sirens can be used similar to the Florida Power & Light Turkey Point Nuclear Power Plant sirens currently being used for emergency alerting. • Miami-Dade Alerts: DEM/HS utilized a database system that allows for emergency alert notification. The one-year pilot program consisted of three functions: a community alert notification, an employee emergency alert, and a college/university student and faculty alert. The Community Alert Notification allows system administrators to alert residents and businesses of significant events that may affect them. Similar to the media-related alerts mentioned above, this system is also subscriber-based and uses e-mail accounts, cell phone text messaging, and other handheld devices capable of receiving text messages. The system is currently being used to alert subscribers of emergencies related to severe weather – hurricane watch/warning, evacuation and curfew orders, food and water distribution points, and other public safety related information. Subscribers can sign up on the County’s website and learn more about how the system works. <p>On October 5, 2016, the BCC, through Resolution No. R-881-16, authorized increased expenditure authority of \$240,000 to Contract No. SS8689-0/19, Lightning Prediction and Warning Systems, for the Miami-Dade Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department. This sole source contract was established in March of 2014 under delegated authority for a five-year term and is used by the Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department for the purchase and installation of Thor Guard, Inc. lightning prediction and warning systems, including maintenance and repairs, at County parks. The systems provide advanced notice of potential lightning strikes, allowing park patrons to timely evacuate a park, preventing a life-threatening scenario. Under the contract, the County has the right to purchase the lightning prediction and warning systems for additional parks. The requested increase in spending authority will be used to cover the cost of the systems for nine (9) additional parks.</p> <p><u>Additional Information- BCC Legislation- Other Alert Systems</u></p> <p>On September 2, 2008, the BCC, through Resolution No. R-920-08, approved a Memorandum of Agreement with the Florida Department of Corrections for the Miami-Dade Corrections and Rehabilitation Department (MDCR) to participate in the Victim Notification Service Network. This automated program notifies crime victims of information regarding an inmate’s escape, release, or death. Through annual appropriation by the Florida Legislature, the Florida Department of Corrections will assume responsibility for paying license and annual maintenance fees to the provider, Appriss, Inc. Should the Legislature cease funding, the MDCR will be required to request funding through the annual resource allocation process to meet this statutory requirement.</p> <p>On December 2, 2014, the BCC, through Resolution No. R-1074-14, directed the Mayor or designee to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examine the feasibility and cost of, and recommend an implementation plan for, creating an information clearinghouse for missing persons in Miami-Dade County and an early warning alert and/or robo-call system, similar to the AMBER Alert, Silver Alert, and/or the Ashley Nicole Valdes Public Safety Alert, for missing persons where there is evidence that the missing person is at risk of imminent bodily harm and would not otherwise qualify for an AMBER or Silver Alert; • Examine the procedures followed by the Miami-Dade Police Department regarding missing persons investigations and any waiting period that is instituted prior to engaging in a missing persons investigation and determine whether any such waiting periods can be waived, and the best methodology and implementation for such a waiver, for cases where there is evidence that a missing person is at risk of imminent bodily harm;

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Examine and identify risks factors that local law enforcement can use to identify missing persons that are at risk of imminent bodily harm;• Identify resources available within Miami-Dade County and through the State of Florida that can be used by the Miami-Dade Police Department and other local law enforcement agencies in assisting with the dissemination of information regarding missing persons and in advancing a missing persons investigation; and• Prepare and provide a report to the BCC within ninety (90) days. <p>On December 15, 2015, the BCC, through resolution No. R-1159-16, urged the Florida Legislature to enact legislation that creates a statewide emergency alert notification system, similar to the AMBER Alert and Silver Alert, for missing persons 18 years of age or older who are believed to be endangered and would not otherwise qualify for any other statewide emergency alert.</p>