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Report on Establishing a Prequalification Pool for the Purchase of Office Supplies – Directive No. 213112**Prime Sponsor:** None**Requester:** Mayor**Committee Action Date:** None**RESEARCH FINDINGS**

OCA's review of the Item found no substantive legislative, procedural, or administrative non-compliance.

CONTEXTUAL INFORMATION

On March 1, 2022, the Board of County Commissioners (Board) adopted [R-198-22](#), establishing *RTQ-02016 (Office Supplies)*, to replace the City of Tamarac Office Depot contract accessed by the County, *Contract 19-12R (Office Depot)*. According to the accompanying Mayor's Memorandum, Prequalification Pool *RTQ-02016 (Office Supplies)* was designed to increase the office supply purchases made to local companies and Small Business Enterprise Firms (SBEs) instead of a single national non-local corporation.

During the March 1, 2022, Board meeting, the Board raised concerns that the approach to establish Pool *RTQ-02016 (Office Supplies)* could have adverse financial consequences for the County. As a result, Board directed (Directive 213112) the Internal Services Department (ISD) to provide a report on the cost analysis of the County's purchases of office supplies every six (6) months. On November 10, 2022, ISD published the [first report](#). ISD includes the second report in this item, File No. [231139](#). The reports include an analysis of the Top 100 most popular office supplies items, ordered across two respective periods, that compares the items' price differential with the price stated in the *Contract 19-12R (Office Depot)* price sheet or on the Office Depot Retail website.

On July 7, 2022, the Board also adopted [R-657-22](#) directing the Office of the Commission Auditor (OCA) to assess the financial impact of the County's office supplies purchasing pool. OCA has been communicating with the ISD and the Information Technology Department (ITD) to obtain and review purchasing procedures and data related to the County's office supply purchases. OCA is in the process of completing its report and provides preliminary observations summarized below.

OBSERVATIONS

OCA lists three (3) observations below based on a review of ISD's most recent biannual cost analysis report and OCA's ongoing analysis of the financial impact of the County's office supplies purchasing pool per Directive 221372. OCA's research and observations are on data collected and analyzed between March 1, 2022, when the County established *RTQ-02016 (Office Supplies)*, and June 7, 2023.

1. Observations from ISD's Cost Analysis:

- a) OCA noted instances where the cost comparisons between *RTQ-02016 (Office Supplies)* and Office Depot are not comparing the same brand name item. Therefore, some comparisons may not be considered apples-to-apples, which may inflate the cost savings.
 - i. Items B-120, AAA alkaline batteries, and B-121, AA alkaline batteries, compare Ray-O-VAC brand batteries, purchased through *RTQ-02016 (Office Supplies)*, to Energizer and Duracell brand batteries sold by Office Depot.
 - ii. Item G-719, a 1.41-ounce Ross brand Glue Stick, purchased through *RTQ-02016 (Office Supplies)*, is compared to a 4-ounce liquid bottle of all-purpose Elmer's glue sold by Office Depot.
- b) OCA note instances where the wrong Office Depot SKU number is referenced in the table, which may lead to false equivalencies.

2. **Total Value of Purchases by Vendor:** Most *RTQ-02016 (Office Supplies)* orders received between March 1, 2022, and June 7, 2023, were purchased from (2) two vendors. The complete list of the cost of received office supplies by vendor for the analyzed timeframe is listed in **Table 1** below.

The calculations per vendor are based on data OCA has extracted from the ISD Materials Management System (System), such as the amounts and types of items requested and the adjusted received item amounts after accounting for outstanding, canceled, returned, and back-ordered items. Additionally, OCA's calculations of the purchase amounts are based on items recorded in the System as received by ISD, not requested.

The data in the System is manually recorded by ISD staff, and calculations are based on the vendor name, price, and units received registered in the System. Quantity errors caused by manual entry and differences within units of measurement are observed in the data. OCA's upcoming report will provide a more significant analysis of manual data entry.

Table 1

TOTAL VALUE OF PURCHASES BY VENDOR	
Vendor Name	Total Amount Purchased
TONER CARTRIDGE RECHARGE INC	\$1,371,623
DABOTER INC	\$1,166,104
INVERSIONES PAPELMANIA 2000 INC	\$556,121
MAC PAPERS INC	\$486,945
STAPLES TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS	\$144,902
CVR COMPUTER SUPPLIES INC.	\$142,669
A PLUS SCHOOL SUPPLY, LLC	\$142,555
OFFICE EXPRESS SUPPLY INC	\$113,869
DISTRICT HEALTHCARE & JANITORIAL SUPPLY	\$76,270
GASSANT ENTERPRISES	\$76,210
PAIGE COMPANY CONTAINERS, INC.	\$73,852
AGNI, INC.	\$62,873
OFFICE DEPOT	\$31,134
GALLOWAY OFFICE SUPPLIES INC	\$28,118
ULINE, INC.	\$23,268
REPLENISH INK, INC	\$22,446
JC WHITE ARCHITECTU	\$22,214
VITI PHARMACEUTICALS, LLC	\$21,020
SAFEWARE INC	\$20,925
LASER PRODUCTS INC	\$12,065
EASEL ART SUPPLY CENTER	\$9,230
RAPID RUBBER STAMPS, INC.	\$8,928
"Not listed in System"	\$7,611
PLANET CELLULAR, INC.	\$4,594
PYRAMID PAPER CO	\$4,526
SAFETY PRODUCTS, INC.	\$3,281
LRE INC	\$2,481
PITMAN PHOTO INC	\$807

TOTAL VALUE OF PURCHASES BY VENDOR	
PARAMOUNT ELECTRIC AND LIGHTING INC.	\$678
LEE RYDER LAMINATION	\$637
ADVANCED FILING SYSTEMS	\$315
AMAZON SERVICES INC	\$278
CDW GOVERNMENT INC	\$248
GRAINGER INC	\$213
Total	\$4,639,010

3. **Orders Made to Office Depot:** OCA observed 63 records of orders for office supplies placed to Office Depot between March 1, 2022, and June 7, 2023, for a total cost of \$31,134.

Resolution Approving the Town of Medley's Codesignation of that Portion of NW 69th Avenue between Northwest South River Drive and Northwest 74th Street as "Miami Power Team Foundation Avenue"

Prime Sponsor: Commissioner Juan Carlos Bermudez, District 12

Requester: None

Committee Action Date: None

RESEARCH FINDINGS

OCA completed the required background research on "Miami Power Team Foundation" and noted no adverse findings. OCA determined that there is no prior Board of County Commissioners (BCC) codesignation for "Miami Power Team Foundation." OCA is providing this report as a Supplement to BCC Agenda File Item No. 231205.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. Bulleted below is the relevant legislation relating to the background research process:
 - [Section 2-1](#) Rule 9.02(f) of the Code requires OCA to conduct background research on any person, organization, place, or thing that is the subject of a naming, renaming or codesignation item or an item approving the codesignation of state or municipal roads, and prepare a report detailing the findings of said research prior to the Commission meeting during which the item is scheduled to be considered.

Resolution Approving the City of Hialeah's Codesignation of that Portion of West 55th Street from West 4th Avenue to West 2nd Court as "Evaristo G. Mendez Way"

Prime Sponsor: Senator Rene Garcia, District 13

Requester: None

Committee Action Date: None

RESEARCH FINDINGS

OCA completed the required background research on "Evaristo G. Mendez" and noted no adverse findings. OCA determined that there is no prior Board of County Commissioners (BCC) codesignation for "Evaristo G. Mendez." Also, as required by Rule 9.02(f)(1), OCA verified that "Evaristo G. Mendez" is deceased. OCA is providing this report as a Supplement to BCC Agenda File Item No. 231065.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. Bulleted below is the relevant legislation relating to the background research process:
 - [Section 2-1](#) Rule 9.02(f) of the Code requires OCA to conduct background research on any person, organization, place, or thing that is the subject of a naming, renaming or codesignation item or an item approving the codesignation of state or municipal roads, and prepare a report detailing the findings of said research prior to the Commission meeting during which the item is scheduled to be considered.

Resolution Approving the City of Miami’s Codesignation of that Portion of SE/SW 9th Street, from Brickell Plaza to SW 1st Avenue as “Chabad Street”; Approving the City of Miami’s removal of the “Beethoven’s Ninth Symphony Street” Codesignation from that portion of SE/SW 9th Street from Brickell Plaza to SW 1st Avenue

Prime Sponsor: Commissioner Eileen Higgins, District 5

Requester: None

Committee Action Date: None

RESEARCH FINDINGS

OCA completed the required background research on “Chabad” and noted no adverse findings. OCA determined that there is no prior Board of County Commissioners (BCC) codesignation for “Chabad.” OCA is providing this report as a Supplement to BCC Agenda File Item No. 231163.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. Bulleted below is the relevant legislation relating to the background research process:
 - [Section 2-1](#) Rule 9.02(f) of the Code requires OCA to conduct background research on any person, organization, place, or thing that is the subject of a naming, renaming or codesignation item or an item approving the codesignation of state or municipal roads, and prepare a report detailing the findings of said research prior to the Commission meeting during which the item is scheduled to be considered.

Resolution Approving the City of Miami Beach Codesignation of that Portion of Bonita Drive from 71st Street to Indian Creek Drive as “Rabbi Pinchas Weberman Drive”**Prime Sponsor:** Commissioner Micky Steinberg, District 4**Requester:** None**Committee Action Date:** None

RESEARCH FINDINGS

OCA completed the required background research on “Rabbi Pinchas Weberman” and noted no adverse findings. OCA determined that there is no prior Board of County Commissioners (BCC) codesignation for “Rabbi Pinchas Weberman.” Also, as required by Rule 9.02(f)(1), OCA verified that “Rabbi Pinchas Weberman” is deceased. OCA is providing this report as a Supplement to BCC Agenda File Item No. 231231.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. Bulleted below is the relevant legislation relating to the background research process:
 - [Section 2-1](#) Rule 9.02(f) of the Code requires OCA to conduct background research on any person, organization, place, or thing that is the subject of a naming, renaming or codesignation item or an item approving the codesignation of state or municipal roads, and prepare a report detailing the findings of said research prior to the Commission meeting during which the item is scheduled to be considered.

Resolution Approving Rejection of all Proposals Received in Response to the Request for Design-Build Services for the New Integrated Command and Communications Center (IC3) at the Lightspeed Facility, ISD Project No. DB20-ISD-01, ISD Contract No. I190038; Approving Pursuant to Section 5.03(D) of the Home Rule Charter, Section 2-8.1(B) of the County Code, and Section 255.20(1)(C)(10), Florida Statutes, a Waiver of Competitive Bidding and Award of Contract to Suffolk Construction Company, Inc. (Suffolk) For The Design and Construction of the New IC3 at the Lightspeed Facility (Lightspeed Facility) – Contract No. I190038 (Design-Build Agreement), in the Amount of \$212,014,684.44 by a Two-Thirds Vote of the Full Board Membership; Approving, Pursuant to Section 5.03(D) of the Home Rule Charter and Section 2-8.1(B) of the County Code, a Waiver of Competitive Bidding to Authorize the County Mayor or County Mayor’s Designee to Purchase Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment (FF&E) in the Amount of \$21,500,000.00 by a Two-Thirds Vote of the Board Members Present

Prime Sponsor: Commissioner Juan Carlos Bermudez, District 12

Requester: Internal Services

Committee Action Date: 05/09/2023, Community Safety, Security & Emergency Management Committee

RESEARCH FINDINGS

OCA's review of the Item found no substantive legislative, procedural, or administrative non-compliance.

CONTEXTUAL INFORMATION

The Internal Services Department (ISD) requests approval from the Board of County Commissioners (Board) for the rejection of all proposals received in response to the request for design-build services for the new Integrated Command and Communications Center (IC3) at the Lightspeed Facility. ISD subsequently requests the award of bid waiver *Contract No. I190038 (IC3 Facility)* to Suffolk Construction Company, Inc. (Suffolk) for \$212,014,684 for the design and construction of the IC3.

The Department also requests a waiver of competitive bidding to authorize the Administration to negotiate and execute the necessary contracts to purchase furniture, fixtures, and equipment (FF&E) for \$21,500,000.

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

- **Initial Purchase:** On April 25, 2006, through Resolution [R-361-06](#), the Board approved the purchase of the Lightspeed Facility to serve as a consolidated operations center for departments with critical communication and emergency response services during times of disaster. The 11.9 acres of land, which includes the Lightspeed facility building and adjacent parcels, were purchased for \$23,100,000.

Citing the building’s size, quality, and value, the accompanying April 2006 [Mayoral Memorandum](#) described the purchase as an unusual opportunity for the County to house several department services and the County’s computing system. However, a [supplement report](#), presented to the Board on April 25, 2006, explains that the building was initially designed and constructed as a warehouse facility and mixed-use technology center, requiring extensive renovations and capital improvements to accommodate the proposed department services that would relocate there.

- **Building Inspection and Recommended Improvements:** Before the purchase of the Lightspeed Facility in 2006, the County’s contracted engineering firm, TSAO Design Group, inspected the property to identify any issues with the facility and assess its ability to meet the requirements of housing critical communication and emergency response services. According to the 2006 [Mayoral Memorandum](#), TSAO Design Group listed the following necessary repairs, maintenance services, and capital improvements, with related estimated costs:

- Construction of a new parking garage to provide approximately 700 parking spaces at an estimated cost of \$11,900,000
- Maintenance and possible replacement of the building's roof membrane; monthly maintenance costs were estimated at \$5,000 to \$10,000, and the cost of replacing the 175,000-square-foot roof membrane was estimated between \$1,400,000 and \$1,750,000
- Repair and testing of the Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning System (HVAC), Uninterrupted Power Systems (UPS), UPS batteries, and UPS Certification at an estimated cost of approximately \$205,000
- **Historical Concerns about the Facility:** At the April 25, 2006, Board meeting, the Board raised concerns about the efficiency of the allocation of County resources, as some of the offices the County planned to relocate to the Lightspeed facility had already moved to the facility, costing the County millions. These concerns were also echoed at the Internal Management & Fiscal Responsibility Committee on April 12, 2006, where the Committee inquired about plans for the space that the relocations to the Lightspeed Facility would vacate. The Committee also raised concerns about the funding for the \$23.1 million.
- **2009 Status Report:** At the March 10, 2009, Government Operation Committee, Commissioners requested a report from the Administration on the status of the facility, the condition of the roof, plans to relocate County services into the building, and the feasibility of housing Commissioners' offices in the case of hurricanes or other disasters.

On June 2, 2009, the Administration presented the status [report](#) to the Board. The report, citing a lack of funding, explained that the Lightspeed Facility had not been able to house all the initially intended County services and that relocation of department operations into the facility would happen incrementally over several years. The report further detailed the repairs, upgrades, and retrofits that staff had performed in the three years since the purchase of the property, including roof maintenance, clearing of vacant portions of the property, repair of mechanical equipment, and certification of systems. The cost of these services totaled \$1,662,000.

Responding to concerns about the roof's condition, the report cited the TSAO Design Group inspection that recommended replacing the roof. The report stated that the Administration planned to execute the recommendation later that year at a projected cost of \$2.3 million. This value was \$550,000 higher than the high-end of the estimated range offered by the TSAO Design Group inspection.

OBSERVATIONS & INQUIRY

- **Contract No. I90086 (HVAC and Roofing):** OCA observed that despite the 2009 report's projection that the roof would be replaced later that year, there is a pending item, File No. [231166](#), scheduled to appear at the July 6, 2023 Board meeting that will be requesting award approval for a contract to replace the entire roofing system, *Contract No. I190086 (HVAC and Roof)*. This contract, which will also build a new chillers-based HVAC system, has a total contract value of \$30,944,628.

- **Project Delays:** OCA observed that neither pending Item File No. [231166](#) for *Contract No. I90086 (HVAC and Roofing)*, nor the current Item, File No. [230636](#) for *Contract No. I190038 (IC3 Facility)* mentions the TSAO Design Group inspection performed before the purchase of the building in 2006. The scopes of services for both items include projects that address concerns raised in the 2006 TSAO Design Group inspection, namely the replacement of the roof and the functional need for a parking garage. Given that the County was aware of these necessary improvements when it purchased the Lightspeed Facility, it is unclear why these projects did not move forward since the purchase. Furthermore, it is unclear why the roof was not replaced in 2009, as mentioned in the report provided to the Board.
- **Two Separate Construction Contracts:** The Mayoral Memorandum for Item File No. [231166](#), *Contract No. I90086 (HVAC and Roofing)* explains that as ISD was preparing documents for replacing the roof and mechanical unit, the Design Criteria Package for the IC3 Design-Build project was being developed. OCA inquired why ISD did not consolidate the two (2) construction projects into one (1) contract. ISD explained that the decision to pursue two (2) separate projects was due to each project's particular timeline based on when each project was considered, as well as shifting considerations later in the construction analysis related to critical infrastructure in the existing building, which necessitates that the HVAC and roof replacement be handled separately from the design-build construction contract, *Contract No. I190038 (IC3 Facility)*.
- **FF&E Bid Waiver Request:** OCA observes that in Section 3 of the Draft Resolution, the Administration requests to waive competitive bidding and award *Contract No. I190038* to Suffolk for \$212,014,684. Section 4 of the Draft Resolution requests an additional waiver of competitive bidding to purchase FF&E for \$21,500,000. OCA inquired with ISD whether the \$21,500,000 in Section 4 is separate from or included in the \$212,014,684 requested in Section 3.

ISD explained that the \$21,500,000 referenced in Section 4 is accounted for in the \$212,014,684 award to Suffolk. ISD also indicated that of the \$21,500,000, the County may purchase the FF&E through existing County equipment contracts or through Suffolk directly. Therefore the total contract award value to Suffolk may be less than the stated \$212,014,684 in Section 3 of the Draft Resolution.
- **Proposed Capital Investment:** The Administration will make two capital investment requests for the Lightspeed Facility, Item File No. [230636](#) for *Contract No. I190038 (IC3 Facility)* and Item File No. [231166](#) for *Contract No. I90086 (HVAC and Roofing)*. Upon approval from the Board, the total investment will be \$242,959,313. **Table 1** below summarizes the estimated total costs of awards pending Board approval for improvements to the Lightspeed Facility.

Table 1

TOTAL VALUE OF PENDING PROJECTS FOR THE LIGHTSPEED FACILITY			
File Number	Agenda Date	Project Description	Award Value
231166	07/06/2023	Replacement of the roof of the existing Lightspeed Facility and HVAC/mechanical system	\$30,944,629
230636	06/21/2023	Construction of a new IC3 Facility and enhancements to the existing facility	\$212,014,684
Total			\$242,959,313

Resolution Authorizing the Disbursement of up to \$3,200,000.00 from the Miami-Dade County Tree Trust Fund for the Planting of Trees on Miami-Dade County Environmentally Endangered Lands (EEL) Managed Preserves and Other Publicly Owned Lands Within Miami-Dade County for the Purposes of Increasing the Tree Canopy in Miami-Dade County**Prime Sponsor:** Commissioner Danielle Cohen Higgins, District 8**Requester:** Regulatory and Economic Resources**Committee Action Date:** 05/09/2023 - County Infrastructure, Operations and Innovations Committee**RESEARCH FINDINGS**

OCA's review of the Item found no substantive legislative, procedural, or administrative non-compliance.

CONTEXTUAL INFORMATION

The item authorizes the disbursement of \$3,200,000 from the Tree Trust Fund to plant trees on publicly owned lands and increase the County's tree canopy. Of the recommended \$3,200,000 allocation, \$1,400,000 is for the Environmentally Endangered Lands (EEL) Program lands, \$500,000 is for School Board locations, \$500,000 is for Public Housing and Community Development (PHCD) housing properties, and \$800,000 is for Internal Services Department (ISD) properties and other County properties.

At the April 11, 2023, County Infrastructure, Operations and Innovations Committee, Commissioners raised questions regarding this Item, File No. 230598, asking whether the selected locations would include areas in underserved communities currently lacking tree canopy. Commissioners noted that areas with social and economic challenges had been overlooked in the past and wanted the selected locations to address that inequity. Regulatory and Economic Resources (RER) replied that Commissioners could recommend to RER any potentially overlooked area for review as a viable location for tree planting.

INQUIRY AND OBSERVATIONS

- ***Pending Locations and Properties having Earmarked Funds:*** Attachment B of the Mayoral Memorandum, a December 8, 2022, [Mayoral Report](#), specifies the address for ten (10) EEL locations where trees will be planted and their corresponding allocated amounts. Though, neither the report nor the Mayoral Memorandum specifies the proposed location for School Board, PHCD, and ISD earmarked funds. However, the report states that the County is negotiating with the School Board regarding funds and that the results of those negotiations will be presented to the Board for approval via a separate Board item.

As the Item does not specify the locations for PHCD and ISD properties, OCA inquired with RER about the following: what locations have been selected and in which Commission District, how RER determined the locations, the number of trees to be planted at each location, and the cost per location. Additionally, as the Item does not provide a breakdown of the balances of the Tree Trust fund subaccounts, OCA also requested a breakdown of the current balance in the Tree Trust Fund.

OCA made the following observations after reviewing RER's responses:

- RER is in the process of evaluating identified PHCD and ISD locations that will be receiving disbursements and the number of trees to be planted at each location. RER reiterated that the use and location for the funds on public land are guided by Ordinance No. [21-122](#), which modified various County Codes related to the Tree Trust Fund on November 2, 2021, in addition to expanding the allowable areas where Tree Trust Funds could be used for the planting of trees on public properties such as parks, schools, libraries, transportation corridors, gateways, and public housing sites.

- RER provided OCA with data files identifying the potential PHCD and ISD properties where trees could be planted in Districts one (1), two (2), three (3), eight (8), and nine (9). For PHCD, RER included the maximum number of trees that could be planted at each PHCD property. For ISD, however, no information regarding the estimated number of trees that could be planted at each location was provided. RER commented that a finalized contract was needed to commit to a specific number of trees at each location.
- **Table 1** below summarizes the currently recommended locations by Commission District, according to data provided by RER.

Table 1

CURRENT RECOMMENDED PHCD AND ISD LOCATIONS			
Commission District	Number of PHCD Locations	Number of ISD Locations	Total Locations by District
1	25	-	25
2	17	95	112
3	37	41	78
8	-	1	1
9	7	24	31
Total Locations	86	161	247

- **Tree Trust Fund Balance:** Regarding the Tree Trust Fund balance, the item notes that the available unencumbered balance specifically earmarked for planting trees on public property as of September 30, 2022, was approximately \$3,214,493. OCA observed that the item does not discuss the current available unencumbered funds nor detail other funds available that have not been earmarked for tree planting. RER stated that the unencumbered balance earmarked for planting trees on public property in the Tree Trust Fund as of May 31, 2023, is \$3,526,492, over \$300,000 more than was available on September 30, 2022. No information was provided regarding other subaccounts under the Tree Trust Fund.

LEGISLATION OVERVIEW

The Tree Trust Fund is codified in [Section 24-39](#) of the County Code with the purpose to “acquire, protect and maintain natural forest communities in Miami-Dade County and to plant trees on public property.” The Tree Trust Fund is organized into three subaccounts: (1) Tree Planting on Publicly Owned Property, (2) Neat Streets Miami, and (3) Pine Rockland Acquisition and Restoration. [Section 2-1336\(2\)](#) provides disbursement guidelines. The Tree Planting on Publicly Owned Property subaccount was created by Ordinance No. [16-93](#) and dedicates funds solely to planting trees on public property, with a preference given to areas with 20 percent or less of tree canopy and located in a Census Tract in the fourth or fifth quintile distribution of Median Household Income. The Ordinance also states that Neat Streets Miami would recommend disbursements from the Tree Trust fund account. Ordinance No. [21-122](#) expanded the purpose of Neat Streets Miami to increase its efforts to address gaps in the urban tree canopy, including the equity gap in poor and underserved neighborhoods where the tree canopy can be as low as 6%.

Resolution Waiving, by a Two-Thirds Vote of the Full Membership of the Board, the Residency Requirement of Section 2-11.38 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, for the County Mayor's Appointment of Arthur Rosenberg to the Miami-Dade County Living Wage Commission

Prime Sponsor: Commissioner Kionne L. McGhee, District 9

Requester: None

Committee Action Date: 05/09/2023 - County Infrastructure, Operations and Innovations Committee

RESEARCH FINDINGS

OCA completed the required background research regarding the appointment of Arthur Rosenberg to the Miami-Living Wage Commission. The research yielded no adverse informational findings for the appointee. This report is being provided as a supplement to BCC File Item Number 230779.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. Bulleted below is the relevant legislation relating to the background research process:
 - [Resolution No. R-636-14](#), adopted on July 1, 2014, requires OCA to conduct background research on applicants being considered to serve on County Boards and Trusts that require nominations or appointments by the BCC.

Resolution Appointing Willie L. Carpenter and Lt. Kevin T. Richardson to the Board of Commissioners for the West Perrine Community Redevelopment Agency

Prime Sponsor: Commissioner Kionne L. McGhee, District 9

Requester: None

Committee Action Date: 05/10/2023 - County Airport and Economic Development Committee

RESEARCH FINDINGS

OCA completed the required background research regarding the appointments of Willie L. Carpenter and Lt. Kevin T. Richardson to the Board of Commissioners for the West Perrine Community Redevelopment Agency. The research yielded no adverse informational findings for the appointees. This report is being provided as a supplement to BCC File Item Number 230892.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. Bulleted below is the relevant legislation relating to the background research process:
 - [Resolution No. R-636-14](#), adopted on July 1, 2014, requires OCA to conduct background research on applicants being considered to serve on County Boards and Trusts that require nominations or appointments by the BCC.

Reappointment of Laurie Weiss Nuell to the Public Health Trust (PHT) Board of Trustees

Prime Sponsor: None

Requester: Clerk of the Board

Committee Action Date: None

RESEARCH FINDINGS

OCA completed the required background research regarding the reappointment of Laurie Weiss Nuell to the Public Health Trust (PHT) Board of Trustees. The research yielded no adverse informational findings for the appointee. This report is being provided as a supplement to BCC File Item Number 231221.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. Bulleted below is the relevant legislation relating to the background research process:
 - [Resolution No. R-636-14](#), adopted on July 1, 2014, requires OCA to conduct background research on applicants being considered to serve on County Boards and Trusts that require nominations or appointments by the BCC.

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The Office of the Commission Auditor, Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners

The Office of the Commission Auditor (OCA) was established in September 2002 by Ordinance 03-2 to provide support and professional analysis of the policy, service, budgetary and operational issues before the Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners. The Commission Auditor's duties include reporting to the Board of County Commissioners on the fiscal operations of County departments, as well as whether the fiscal and legislative policy directions of the Commission are being efficiently and effectively implemented.

These research notes, prepared in collaboration with the Miami-Dade County departments as subject matter experts, are substantially less detailed in scope than an audit in accordance with the Generally Accepted Auditing Standards (GAAS). The OCA plans and performs the review to obtain sufficient, appropriate evidence to provide a reasonable basis for its findings and conclusions based on its objectives; accordingly, the OCA does not express an opinion on the data gathered by the subject matter expert(s).