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M E M O R A N D U M

TO:	The Honorable Kionne L. McGhee, Vice Chairman and Members, Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners	DATE:	January 6, 2025
FROM:	The Honorable Anthony Rodriguez, Chairman, Board of County Commissioners	SUBJECT:	Committee Structure and Member Assignments

It is an honor to serve as the Chairman of the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners for the next two years. I am truly grateful for your confidence in me and look forward to working with each of you, as we strive to improve the lives of the residents of Miami-Dade County.

After thoughtful consideration and acknowledgment of each member's areas of expertise, I have established nine standing committees and an ad hoc committee, effective immediately. To ensure clarity and alignment of the committees with the Board's policy initiatives and priorities, my office will coordinate Sunshine meetings with each Committee Chair to discuss our collective goals and objectives. To enhance our stewardship of County tax dollars, I will, in consultation with the County Attorney, assign certain items to two or more committees, including the Appropriations Committee, for review. This additional layer of oversight will help evaluate fiscal impacts and ensure long-term financial sustainability.

The Appropriations Committee also will play a pivotal role in promoting fiscal accountability by conducting detailed line-item departmental budget reviews and issuing recommendations to truly streamline County government while ensuring the delivery of quality and responsive services to the residents of this community. I intend to coordinate with the Appropriations Committee Chair to promptly schedule additional committee meetings, as needed, to prioritize this line-item departmental budget review process. This proactive approach will allow the Board to take a more meaningful role in shaping the budget during the budget development process with an eye towards streamlining operations, reducing costs and improving service delivery. I have directed the Commission Auditor to provide staff support and budgetary analysis to the Appropriations Committee as it undertakes this key initiative. It is my intent

that at the conclusion of this budget review process, the Commission Auditor will be positioned to present to this Board a balanced proposed budget alongside the County Mayor's proposed budget for this Board's consideration. To this end, I have asked the Commission Auditor to work with the County Administration and to collaborate with every member of this Board to facilitate this process effectively.

It is imperative that as the newly established Constitutional Offices begin their operations, all County services, programs, and processes —particularly procurement, permitting, and other essential governmental functions— are efficient, accountable, and free from duplication. The Government Efficiency and Transparency Ad Hoc Committee will convene at my discretion to address these matters, identify inefficiencies and redundancies, and ensure there is no overlap in services. This proactive oversight will enhance transparency, streamline operations, and empower residents to hold the County accountable for its performance.

Attached, you will find an overview of the committee structure, including the jurisdiction of each committee, assigned Chairs, Vice Chairs and members, and schedule for the year. Please note that additional committee meetings or workshops may be scheduled to ensure thorough review and discussion of critical items.

It is my intent to maintain the new committee structure throughout the calendar year. However, I will re-evaluate and implement changes as necessary to adapt to the needs of the County and its residents. I look forward to working closely with all of you to achieve our shared objectives and uphold our commitment to public service.

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Attachment

Cc: Honorable Mayor Daniella Levine Cava
Honorable Juan Fernandez-Barquin, Clerk of the Court and Comptroller
Geri Bonzon-Keenan, County Attorney
Gerald Sanchez, First Assistant County Attorney
Jess McCarty, Executive Assistant County Attorney
Basia Pruna, Clerk of the Board
Eugene Love, Office of Agenda Coordination

Committee Structure and Member Assignments

2025

Committee Schedule

Policy Council	Monday at 9:00 A.M.
Infrastructure, Innovation and Technology Committee	Monday at 11:00 A.M.
Recreation and Tourism Committee	Monday at 2:00 P.M.
Transportation Committee	Tuesday at 9:00 A.M.
Safety and Health Committee	Tuesday at 11:00 A.M.
Housing Committee	Tuesday at 2:00 P.M.
Airport Committee	Wednesday at 9:00 A.M.
Appropriations Committee	Wednesday at 11:00 A.M.
Port and Resiliency Committee	Wednesday at 2:00 P.M.
Government Efficiency and Transparency Ad Hoc Committee	At the call of the Chair of the Commission

Policy Council

Area of Responsibility: Considers the County's state and federal legislative priorities as well as specific topics and items of significance at the Chair's discretion, such as issues relating to: the transition to the newly-elected constitutional officers; and, proposed amendments to the County's Home Rule Charter. It is essential that this Board prioritize the legislative issues of the County, establish mutually beneficial relationships with State and federal legislators, and aggressively pursue legislative priorities that are approved by the Board of County Commissioners.

Coordinate/Liaise With:

- Constitutional Offices
 - Clerk of the Court and Comptroller
 - Property Appraiser
 - Sheriff
 - Supervisor of Elections
 - Tax Collector
- Charter Review Task Force
- Miami-Dade Federal and State Delegation
- Greater Miami Convention and Visitors Bureau

Committee Membership:

- **Chairman Anthony Rodriguez** **Chair**
- **Vice Chairman L. Kionne McGhee** **Vice Chair**
- Members to be designated by the Chair of the Commission

Infrastructure, Innovation and Technology Committee

Area of Responsibility: Ensure the efficient operation of government programs that support sustainable growth, the responsible delivery of services, and environmental protection. The committee also oversees initiatives related to innovation and technology, aiming to improve the county's infrastructure and service delivery.

Committee Jurisdiction:

- Department of Solid Waste Management
- Information Technology Department
- Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Department
- Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources

Coordinate/Liaise With:

- South Florida Regional Planning Council
- South Florida Water Management District

Committee Membership:

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| • Commissioner Raquel A. Regalado | Chair |
| • Commissioner Eileen Higgins | Vice Chair |
| • Commissioner Kevin Marino Cabrera | |
| • Commissioner Danielle Cohen Higgins | |
| • Commissioner Micky Steinberg | |

Recreation and Tourism Committee

Area of Responsibility: Oversee and ensure the effective management of the County's resources and programs related to animal services, libraries, parks, and the arts and cultural affairs community. The committee also provides oversight for major recreational and cultural capital projects.

Committee Jurisdiction:

- Department of Cultural Affairs
- Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources (Film and Entertainment and Historic Preservation)
- Miami-Dade County Animal Services Department
- Miami-Dade Public Library System
- Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department

Coordinate/Liaise With:

- Adrienne Arsht Center of the Performing Arts
- Greater Miami Convention and Visitors Bureau
- Tourist Development Council
- Vizcaya Trust
- Museums and other cultural facilities
- Professional Sports Facilities

Committee Membership:

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| • Senator René García | Chair |
| • Commissioner Micky Steinberg | Vice Chair |
| • Commissioner Marleine Bastien | |
| • Vice Chairman Kionne L. McGhee | |
| • Commissioner Raquel A. Regalado | |

Transportation Committee

Area of Responsibility: Provide adequate oversight and direction for Miami-Dade County's transportation infrastructure, mobility, passenger transportation services, Strategic Miami Area Rapid Transit (SMART) Plan, and the People's Transportation Plan (PTP).

Committee Jurisdiction:

- Department of Transportation and Public Works

Coordinate / Liaise With:

- Citizens Independent Transportation Trust (CITT)
- South Florida Regional Transportation Authority (SFRTA)
- Transportation Planning Organization (TPO)

Committee Membership:

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| • Commissioner Eileen Higgins | Chair |
| • Commissioner Raquel A. Regalado | Vice Chair |
| • Commissioner Marleine Bastien | |
| • Commissioner Juan Carlos Bermudez | |
| • Senator René García | |

Safety and Health Committee

Area of Responsibility: Ensure that the County provides essential life safety and health services to its residents. It oversees public health, protective services, and cybersecurity initiatives, with strict oversight of Jackson Health System and other critical health facilities.

Committee Jurisdiction:

- Communications and Customer Experience
- Department of Emergency Management
- Information Technology Department (cybersecurity)
- Judicial Administration
- Juvenile Services Department
- Medical Examiner Department
- Miami-Dade Corrections and Rehabilitation Department
- Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department

Coordinate/ Liaise With:

- Children's Trust
- Public Health Trust
- Sheriff

Committee Membership:

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| • Commissioner Roberto J. Gonzalez | Chair |
| • Senator René García | Vice Chair |
| • Commissioner Marleine Bastien | |
| • Commissioner Keon Hardemon | |
| • Commissioner Eileen Higgins | |

Housing Committee

Area of Responsibility: Provide oversight and guidance to those departments and agencies that have been charged with the revitalization of this community to create an atmosphere that promotes public/private partnerships while retaining and attracting businesses to Miami-Dade County. Additionally, continue to provide direct services for residents in need of housing and other social services and assist them in becoming self-sufficient.

Committee Jurisdiction:

- Community Action and Human Services Department
- Department of Public Housing and Community Development
- Miami-Dade County Homeless Trust

Coordinate/ Liaise with:

- South Florida Work Force

Committee Membership:

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| • Commissioner Marleine Bastien | Chair |
| • Commissioner Roberto J. Gonzalez | Vice Chair |
| • Commissioner Eileen Higgins | |
| • Vice Chairman Kionne L. McGhee | |
| • Commissioner Raquel A. Regalado | |

Airport Committee

Area of Responsibility: Provide adequate oversight and direction for one of Miami-Dade County's most important economic engines, Miami International Airport, as well as international trade, foreign relations, and countywide economic development.

Committee Jurisdiction:

- Miami-Dade Aviation Department
- Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust
- Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources (Office of Innovation and Economic Development)

Coordinate/Liaise With:

- Beacon Council
- International Trade Consortium

Committee Membership:

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| • Commissioner Kevin Marino Cabrera | Chair |
| • Commissioner Danielle Cohen Higgins | Vice Chair |
| • Commissioner Oliver G. Gilbert, III | |
| • Commissioner Roberto J. Gonzalez | |
| • Commissioner Keon Hardemon | |

Appropriations Committee

Area of Responsibility: Ensure efficient and effective allocation and use of taxpayer funds and other County funds while providing services to the citizens of Miami-Dade County and provide oversight regarding policies related to the fair and equitable treatment of Miami-Dade County employees.

Committee Jurisdiction:

- Department of Human Resources
- Internal Compliance Department
- Internal Services Department
- Office of Management and Budget
- Strategic Procurement Department

Coordinate/Liaise With:

- Clerk of the Court and Comptroller
- Community Redevelopment Agencies
- Commission on Ethics and Public Trust
- Office of the Inspector General
- Property Appraiser
- Tax Collector

Committee Membership:

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| • Commissioner Danielle Cohen Higgins | Chair |
| • Commissioner Kevin Marino Cabrera | Vice Chair |
| • Commissioner Oliver G. Gilbert, III | |
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| • Commissioner Micky Steinberg | |

Port and Resiliency Committee

Area of Responsibility: Provide adequate oversight and direction pertaining to the development of PortMiami cargo and cruise businesses, implementing key environmental initiatives such as the Back Bay Study recommendations, and monitoring the health of Biscayne Bay. The committee also collaborates with the Office of Resilience to support policies aimed at improving Miami-Dade County's environmental and infrastructure resilience.

Committee Jurisdiction:

- Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources
- Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Department
- Seaport Department

Committee Membership:

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| • Commissioner Micky Steinberg | Chair |
| • Commissioner Keon Hardemon | Vice Chair |
| • Commissioner Juan Carlos Bermudez | |
| • Commissioner Danielle Cohen Higgins | |
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Government Efficiency and Transparency Ad Hoc Committee

Area of Responsibility: Review and identify areas in which Miami-Dade County can improve governmental operations. The direct focus will be on improving government operations efficiencies and enhancing accountability while centering on innovation and legislative reform.

Committee Membership:

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| • Commissioner Juan Carlos Bermudez | Chair |
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