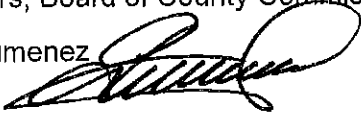


Memorandum



Date: January 20, 2016

To: Honorable Chairman Jean Monestime
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: Carlos A. Gimenez
Mayor 

Subject: Resolution Approving Terms of and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute and File a Grant Application with the United States Department of Transportation's Federal Transit Administration for the State Road 836 Express Bus Service Panther and Tamiami Stations in the Amount of \$5,570,526.00

Agenda Item No. 8(N)(1)

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) approve the execution and filing of a grant application on behalf of Miami-Dade County (County) with the United States Department of Transportation's Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 Urbanized Formula grant program funding in the amount of \$5,570,526.00. The funding will be used for costs related to infrastructure improvements to support the planned Miami-Dade Transit (MDT) State Road (SR) 836 Express Bus Service project. The improvements will include a new transit bus terminal facility within the Florida International University (FIU) Modesto A. Maidique Campus (Panther Station) and a park-and-ride lot/bus terminal at SW 8 Street and SW 147 Avenue (Tamiami Station).

It is further recommended that the Board authorize this grant application pursuant to the agreement, as well as the receipt and expenditure of funds as specified in the agreement. A public hearing is required in accordance with Federal regulations.

SCOPE

While this project is located in Commissioner Juan C. Zapata's District 11 and Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz's District 12, the impact of the project benefits the riding public and is, therefore, countywide.

FISCAL IMPACT/FUNDING SOURCE

This item represents a positive fiscal impact to the County because it provides funding to MDT for the SR 836 Express Bus Service Project. The required local match of \$1,392,631.00 will be provided in full by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) through the use of State Transportation Development Credits as a "soft match" for this grant.

The Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21), Public Law 112-141, Section 1512, authorizes State transportation departments to make available to public transit agencies the use of transportation development credits on selected federally assisted public transit capital projects. By using the credits to substitute for the required non-federal share on a new Federal-aid project, the Federal share can effectively be increased to 100 percent.

The estimated annual operating and maintenance costs for the SR 836 Express Panther and Tamiami stations is \$150,000.00 and will be funded through MDT's future operating budgets.

TRACK RECORD/MONITOR

The County has entered into numerous funding agreements with the FTA since 1991. The Project Manager for this grant is Ed Carson, Grants Resource Manager of MDT's Financial Services Division.

BACKGROUND

Jointly administered by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the FTA, Surface Transportation and Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Improvement Programs were reauthorized under MAP-21, allowing States to continue the ability to transfer (or "flex") these funds to

FTA for award as grants. The Federal share of funding for eligible projects under these programs is 80 percent. Some specific activities include capital costs for transit projects for assistance under Chapter 53 of title 49, including vehicles and facilities used to provide intercity passenger bus service, projects that improve traffic flow, and transportation systems management and operations that mitigate congestion and improve air quality.

The new SR 836 Express Bus Service project is part of an incremental approach to implement rapid transit services in the East-West Corridor, which was studied in the mid 1990's and then incorporated into the People's Transportation Plan in 2002. Infrastructure improvements to support the SR 836 Express Bus Service project include the proposed Panther, Tamiami, and Dolphin Stations. The Dolphin Station, which is fully funded under a separate grant agreement, will be constructed by the Miami-Dade Expressway Authority (MDX).

The SR 836 Express Bus Service will operate primarily on SR 836 (Dolphin Expressway) resulting in no intermediate stops between the origin and destination; thereby, reducing transit travel times. Three (3) express lines are planned for the SR 836 Express Service project. The first, the A-Line, will run between the planned Tamiami Station (SW 8 Street and SW 147 Avenue) and Government Center via US-41/SR-90/SW 8 Street, SW 137 Avenue and SR-836. The B-Line will run between the Panther Station (SW 8 Street and SW 109 Avenue) and the Miami Intermodal Center (MIC) at the Miami International Airport (MIA); via SW 8 Street, SR-821/Homestead Extension of Florida's Turnpike (HEFT), and SR-836. The C-Line will run between the Dolphin Station (NW 12 Street and the HEFT) and Government Center via SR-836.

The proposed Panther Station is being built within the FIU Modesto A. Maidique campus. The station will be located on the north side of campus on the ground floor of a new parking garage (PG-6). The location of PG-6 is midway between the intersections of SW 112 and SW 109 Avenues, just off of SW 8 Street. A transit terminal facility integrated into the ground floor of the PG-6 at the FIU Modesto A. Maidique campus allows for the relocation of all transit services from the existing bus terminal located off SR-985/SW 107 Avenue and SW 17 Street to the proposed location along SW 8 Street. The preliminary Panther Station design includes ten (10) bus bays and passenger amenities.

The planned Tamiami Station will be constructed on a 7.8-acre parcel located at the southwest corner of SW 8 Street and SW 147 Avenue. The property is owned by FDOT and is currently vacant. In a letter dated April 1, 2011, FDOT indicated that it will convey the property at no cost for the construction of this park-and-ride facility, once all planning and zoning, permitting and environmental approvals have been obtained. The preliminary Tamiami Station design includes a total of eight (8) bus bays and 493 parking spaces and passenger amenities.

On August 3, 2015, FTA approved a Categorical Exclusion (CE) for the SR 836 Express Bus Service Panther and Tamiami Stations and roadway access improvements. Currently, the project is in the design consultant selection process. The Notice-to-Proceed (NTP) to the design consultant is anticipated in May 2016.

The total estimated cost of the SR 836 Express Bus Panther and Tamiami Stations project is \$13,402,407.00 and will be funded with local, state and federal funds. This grant will provide \$5,570,526.00 in Fiscal Year (FY) 2016 Surface Transportation and CMAQ program flexible funding transferred from the FHWA to the FTA Section 5307 Urbanized Formula Grant program. The \$1,392,631.00 required local match for this grant will be provided by FDOT through the use of State Transportation Development Credits as a "soft match." Eligible costs and activities include design, permitting, utility relocation, construction, construction management and environmental site assessment.

Additional federal funding for the Panther Station is programmed in the FDOT's Five-Year Work Program for FY 2017 (\$1,570,384.00) and FY 2018 (\$1,570,194.00).

This additional funding will be applied for in the year of availability through an amendment of the original grant. The \$785,144.00 required local match will be satisfied using FDOT Transportation Development Credits as a "soft match." Therefore, the total FTA funding provided for this project, inclusive of this grant, is \$8,711,104.00.

Additionally, FDOT has also programmed state funding in FY 2017 (\$897,640.00) for the Tamiami Station, which will be provided to MDT in a future agreement with FDOT. The agreement will require an equal local match for a total amount of \$1,795,280.00. Therefore, the total federal and state funding programmed for this project is \$9,608,744.00. Local funding in the amount of approximately \$3,793,663.00 will be used to complete the cost of the SR 836 Express Bus Panther and Tamiami Stations project.

The Panther and Tamiami Stations are currently scheduled for completion in August 2019. The Dolphin Station, which will be constructed by MDX, is slated for completion late 2017.



Alina X. Hudak
Deputy Mayor

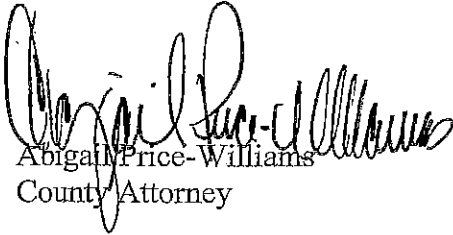


MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Jean Monestime
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: January 20, 2016

FROM: 
Abigail Price-Williams
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 8(N)(1)

Please note any items checked.

- "3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised
- 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- Budget required
- Statement of fiscal impact required
- Statement of social equity required
- Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor's report for public hearing
- No committee review
- Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's _____, 3/5's _____, unanimous _____) to approve
- Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

Agenda Item No. 8(N)(1)
1-20-16

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION APPROVING TERMS OF AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR, COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE OR MIAMI-DADE TRANSIT DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AND FILE A GRANT APPLICATION FOR \$5,570,526.00 WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION SECTION 5307 URBANIZED FORMULA GRANT PROGRAM AND PROVIDE ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION FOR THE NEW STATE ROAD 836 EXPRESS BUS SERVICE PANTHER AND TAMAMI STATIONS; AUTHORIZING RECEIPT AND EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS PURSUANT TO SUCH APPLICATIONS AND AGREEMENTS; AND AUTHORIZING RECEIPT AND EXPENDITURE OF ANY ADDITIONAL FUNDS AS SPECIFIED IN THE AGREEMENTS SHOULD THEY BECOME AVAILABLE

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing has been conducted on Miami-Dade County's Section 5307 Urbanized Formula Grant Program application as described in the County Mayor's accompanying memorandum,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

Section 1. This Board authorizes the County Mayor, County Mayor's designee, or Miami-Dade Transit Director to execute and file a grant application and agreement in the form of the template attached to the resolution with the United States Department of Transportation and the Federal Transportation Administration in the amount of \$5,570,526.00 Fiscal Year 2016

Section 5307 Urbanized Formula Grant program funding for a new transit bus terminal facility within the Florida International University Modesto A. Maidique Campus (Panther Station) and a park-and-ride lot/bus terminal facility at SW 8th Street and SW 147th Avenue (Tamiami Station) for the SR 836 Express Bus Service project and provide all necessary supporting documentation.

Section 2. This Board authorizes receipt and expenditure of funds received pursuant to such application and agreement and further authorizes receipt and expenditure of any additional funds as specified in the agreements should they become available.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner
who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner
and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

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| Jean Monestime, Chairman | |
| Esteban L. Bovo, Jr., Vice Chairman | |
| Bruno A. Barreiro | Daniella Levine Cava |
| Jose "Pepe" Diaz | Audrey M. Edmonson |
| Sally A. Heyman | Barbara J. Jordan |
| Dennis C. Moss | Rebeca Sosa |
| Sen. Javier D. Souto | Xavier L. Suarez |
| Juan C. Zapata | |


The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 20th day of January, 2016. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this Resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.



Bruce Libhaber

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners in the Commission Chambers, second floor, 111 N.W. 1st Street, Miami, Florida, during a meeting to begin at approximately 9:30AM on December 9, 2015, to consider a grant application for **\$5,570,526** in capital funding assistance is being sought from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). The Program of Projects (POP) is as follows:

FTA SECTION 5307 URBANIZED FORMULA GRANT PROGRAM—STATE ROAD 836 EXPRESS BUS SERVICE

PANTHER STATION (Proposed Project Budget \$1,570,526)

| <u>CAPITAL ASSISTANCE</u> | <u>FEDERAL SHARE</u> |
|---------------------------|----------------------|
| Design | \$ 899,344 |
| Permitting | \$ 2,000 |
| Utility Relocation | \$ 50,000 |
| Construction | \$ 609,182 |
| Construction Management | \$ 10,000 |
| Sub-total | \$1,570,526 |

TAMIAMI STATION (Proposed Project Budget \$4,000,000)

| <u>CAPITAL ASSISTANCE</u> | <u>FEDERAL SHARE</u> |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| Design | \$ 789,887 |
| Permitting | \$ 2,000 |
| Utility Relocation | \$ 50,000 |
| Construction | \$ 2,410,972 |
| Construction Management | \$ 687,141 |
| Environmental Site Assessment | \$ 60,000 |
| Sub-total | \$ 4,000,000 |

Total Request for Project..... \$ 5,570,526

State Transportation Development Credits in the amount of \$1,392,631 will be used as the local match for this grant application.

At the hearing, the Committee will afford an opportunity for interested persons or agencies to be heard with respect to the social, economic, and environmental aspects of this project. Interested persons may submit orally or in writing evidence and recommendations with respect to said projects. This will be the final program of projects unless amended and a final notice is published.

A person who decides to appeal any decision made by any board, agency, or commission with respect to any such matter considered at its meeting or hearing, will need a record of all proceedings. Such person may need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.

Miami-Dade County provides equal access and equal opportunity in employment and does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its programs or services. Auxiliary aids and services for communication are available with advance notice. This form can be made available in accessible format upon request (audiotape, Braille, or computer disk). For material in alternate format, a sign-language interpreter, or other accommodations, please contact Marcos Ortega at (786) 469-5225. Customers using TDD, please call through the Florida Relay Service 1 (800-955-8771) at least five (5) days in advance.

DOT**FTA**

U.S. Department of Transportation

Federal Transit Administration

Application

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| Recipient ID: | 1089 |
| Recipient Name: | MIAMI-DADE TRANSIT AGENCY |
| Project ID: | FL-95-X102 |
| Budget Number: | 1 - Budget Pending Approval |
| Project Information: | SR 836 EBS Panther Station/Park & Ride |

Part 1: Recipient Information

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|-----------------|--|
| Project Number: | FL-95-X102 |
| Recipient ID: | 1089 |
| Recipient Name: | MIAMI-DADE TRANSIT AGENCY |
| Address: | 701 N.W. 1ST Court SUITE 1700, MIAMI , FL 33136 3924 |
| Telephone: | (786) 469-5347 |
| Facsimile: | (786) 469-5576 |

Union Information

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| Recipient ID: | 1089 |
| Union Name: | TRANSPORT WORKERS UNION |
| Address 1: | 1111 Park Centre Blvd. |
| Address 2: | Suite # 104 |
| City: | Miami, FL 33169 |
| Contact Name: | Arthur Brown |
| Telephone: | (305) 624-1168 |
| Facsimile: | (305) 624-1254 |
| E-mail: | www.twulocal1291.org |
| Website: | |

Part 2: Project Information

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|---------------|-------|---------------------|-------------|
| Project Type: | Grant | Gross Project Cost: | \$5,570,526 |
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| Project Number: | FL-95-X102 | Adjustment Amt: | \$0 |
| Project Description: | SR 836 EBS Panther Station/Park & Ride | Total Eligible Cost: | \$5,570,526 |
| Recipient Type: | County Agency | Total FTA Amt: | \$5,570,526 |
| FTA Project Mgr: | Maggie Sandberg 404/865-5612 | Total State Amt: | \$0 |
| Recipient Contact: | Ed Carson 786-469-5545 | Total Local Amt: | \$0 |
| New/Amendment: | New | Other Federal Amt: | \$0 |
| Amend Reason: | Initial Application | Special Cond Amt: | \$0 |
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| Fed Dom Asst. #: | 20507 | Special Condition: | None Specified |
| Sec. of Statute: | 5307-2A | S.C. Tgt. Date: | None Specified |
| State Appl. ID: | None Specified | S.C. Eff. Date: | None Specified |
| Start/End Date: | Oct. 01, 2015 - Sep. 30, 2018 | Est. Oblig Date: | None Specified |
| Recvd. By State: | | Pre-Award Authority?: | Yes |
| EO 12372 Rev: | Not Applicable | Fed. Debt Authority?: | No |
| Review Date: | None Specified | Final Budget?: | No |
| Planning Grant?: | NO | | |
| Program Date (STIP/UPWP/FTA Prm Plan) : | Sep. 30, 2014 | | |
| Program Page: | 6384-6385 | | |
| Application Type: | Electronic | | |
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| Supp. Agreement?: | No | | |
| Debt. Delinq. Details: | | | |

Urbanized Areas

| UZA ID | UZA Name |
|--------|-----------|
| 120180 | MIAMI, FL |

Congressional Districts

| State ID | District Code | District Official |
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| 12 | 23 | Debbie Wasserman Schul |
| 12 | 24 | Frederica S Wilson |
| 12 | 25 | Mario Diaz-Balart |
| 12 | 26 | Carlos Curbelo |
| 12 | 27 | Ileana Ros-Lehtinen |

Project Details

ORIGINAL GRANT

Earmarks**No information found.****Security**

No – We will not expend at least 1% of the 5307 funds in this grant application for security purposes.

3. Other, please describe below.

Part 3: Budget**Project Budget**

| | <u>Quantity</u> | <u>FTA Amount</u> | <u>Tot. Elig. Cost</u> |
|---|-----------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| <u>SCOPE</u> | | | |
| 113-00 BUS - STATION/STOPS/TERMINALS | 1 | \$5,570,526.00 | \$5,570,526.00 |
| <u>ACTIVITY</u> | | | |
| 13.33.01 CONSTRUCT PANTHER STATION | 1 | \$1,570,526.00 | \$1,570,526.00 |
| 13.33.04 CONSTRUCT PARK & RIDE FACILITY | 0 | \$4,000,000.00 | \$4,000,000.00 |
| Estimated Total Eligible Cost: | | | \$5,570,526.00 |
| Federal Share: | | | \$5,570,526.00 |
| Local Share: | | | \$0.00 |

OTHER (Scopes and Activities not included in Project Budget Totals)None**No Amendment Funding Source information is available for the selected project**Alternative Fuel CodesExtended Budget Descriptions**Changes since the Prior Budget****No information found.**

Part 4. Milestones

13.33.01 CONSTRUCT PANTHER STATION 1 \$1,570,526 \$1,570,526

| | <u>Milestone Description</u> | <u>Est. Comp. Date</u> |
|----|------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. | RFP/IFB Issued | None Specified |
| 2. | Contract Award | None Specified |
| 3. | Contract Complete | None Specified |

13.33.04 CONSTRUCT PARK & RIDE FACILITY 0 \$4,000,000 \$4,000,000

| | <u>Milestone Description</u> | <u>Est. Comp. Date</u> |
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| 1. | RFP/IFB Issued | None Specified |
| 2. | Contract Award | None Specified |
| 3. | Contract Complete | None Specified |

Part 5. Environmental Findings

No information found.

Part 6: Fleet Status

No information found.

Part 7. FTA Comments

No information found.

Part 8: Results of Reviews

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| Type: | Error |
| Location: | Milestones |
| Description: | At least one Milestone was specified which does not have an estimated completion date. |
| Instructions: | Open the Milestones window and ensure that all milestones specified have an estimated completion date. |

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| Type: | Error |
| Location: | Environmental Findings |

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| Description: | The application must have at least one Environmental Finding. |
| Instructions: | Open the Environmental Findings window and add at least one finding. Use the menu function 'Edit / New Record' or click on the 'New Document' toolbar icon. |