

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(3)

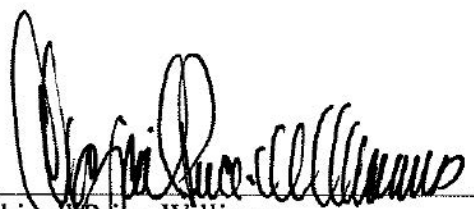
TO: Honorable Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: October 20, 2020

FROM: Abigail Price-Williams
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution establishing County policy identifying certain top station priority locations for the northeast corridor of the Strategic Miami Area Rapid Transit ("SMART") Plan as (1) North Miami/North Miami Beach in the vicinity of NE 151st Street, (2) in the vicinity of El Portal, and (3) the Design District in the vicinity of NE 39th Street; and directing the County Mayor to consider proposals from the public and private interested parties along the northeast corridor of the SMART Plan with respect to a potential additional prospective station and to provide a report

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Sally A. Heyman.


Abigail Price-Williams
County Attorney

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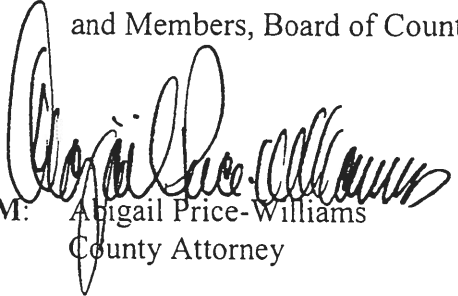


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Please note any items checked.

- ☐ "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 present ____, 2/3 membership ____, 3/5's ____, unanimous ____, CDMP 7 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c) ____, CDMP 2/3 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c) ____, or CDMP 9 vote requirement per 2-116.1(4)(c)(2) ____ to approve
- ☐ Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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10-20-20

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING COUNTY POLICY IDENTIFYING CERTAIN TOP STATION PRIORITY LOCATIONS FOR THE NORTHEAST CORRIDOR OF THE STRATEGIC MIAMI AREA RAPID TRANSIT (“SMART”) PLAN AS (1) NORTH MIAMI/NORTH MIAMI BEACH IN THE VICINITY OF NE 151ST STREET, (2) IN THE VICINITY OF EL PORTAL, AND (3) THE DESIGN DISTRICT IN THE VICINITY OF NE 39TH STREET; AND DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR’S DESIGNEE TO CONSIDER PROPOSALS FROM THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE INTERESTED PARTIES ALONG THE NORTHEAST CORRIDOR OF THE SMART PLAN WITH RESPECT TO A POTENTIAL ADDITIONAL PROSPECTIVE STATION AND TO PROVIDE A REPORT

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County is experiencing continued growth and is seeking alternative transportation options to reduce impact on Miami-Dade County’s roadways and to minimize toxic pollutants from motor vehicles; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County desires to commence the operation of trains transporting passengers and making frequent stops within urban areas and suburbs along the heavily used northeast corridor of the Strategic Miami Area Rapid Transit (“SMART”) Plan; and

WHEREAS, northeast corridor service will connect the hearts of various municipalities in northeastern Miami-Dade and improve north-south mobility; and

WHEREAS, the corridor will provide an efficient alternative to driving on congested streets and highways and a much-needed integrated transportation link essential for smart growth management, sustainability and a vital economy; and

WHEREAS, on June 2, 2020, this Board adopted Resolution No. R-558-20, which directed the County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee to negotiate agreements and funding commitments with Virgin Trains USA Florida LLC and the public and private interested parties

along the northeast corridor of the SMART Plan, including, but not be limited to, the northeast Dade campus of Florida International University and the surrounding municipalities, for the implementation of commuter rail service which shall service no more than five stations along the corridor, inclusive of the future West Aventura Station; and

WHEREAS, the areas surrounding North Miami/North Miami Beach in the vicinity of NE 151st Street, in the vicinity of El Portal, and the Design District in the vicinity of NE 39th Street are heavily congested and have been identified as appropriate station locations for the northeast corridor service,

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

Section 1. Establishes County policy identifying the top three station priority locations for the northeast corridor of the SMART Plan as (1) North Miami/North Miami Beach in the vicinity of NE 151st Street, (2) in the vicinity of El Portal, and (3) the Design District in the vicinity of NE 39th Street.

Section 2. Directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to consider proposals from the public and private interested parties along the northeast corridor of the SMART Plan with respect to a potential additional prospective station and to place a status report within 90 days of the effective date of this resolution on an agenda of the Board in accordance with Ordinance No. 14-65.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Sally A. Heyman. It 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:

Audrey M. Edmonson, Chairwoman

Rebeca Sosa, Vice Chairwoman

Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.

Jose "Pepe" Diaz

Eileen Higgins

Joe A. Martinez

Dennis C. Moss

Xavier L. Suarez

Daniella Levine Cava

Sally A. Heyman

Barbara J. Jordan

Jean Monestime

Sen. Javier D. Souto

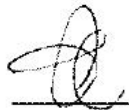
The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 20th day of October, 2020. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override 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.



Annery Pulgar Alfonso
Bruce Libhaber