

# MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(28)

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**TO:** Honorable Chairman Jose “Pepe” Diaz  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** October 5, 2021

**FROM:** Geri Bonzon-Keenan  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Resolution urging the Florida  
Legislature to appropriate  
funding for the construction of  
improvements to the South Dade  
Trail

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The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Danielle Cohen Higgins.



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(Revised)

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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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10-5-21

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO  
APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF  
IMPROVEMENTS TO THE SOUTH DADE TRAIL

**WHEREAS**, the Strategic Miami Area Rapid Transit (SMART) Plan includes six rapid transit corridors along with a network of Bus Express Rapid Transit (BERT) services; and

**WHEREAS**, the South Dade TransitWay Corridor is one of the six SMART Plan rapid transit corridors; and

**WHEREAS**, running alongside the South Dade TransitWay is a 20-mile pedestrian/bicycle shared use path referred to as the South Dade Trail; and

**WHEREAS**, the South Dade Trail in its current form offers opportunities for improvement to include enhanced bicycle and pedestrian transit amenities; and

**WHEREAS**, improvements to the South Dade Trail are necessary to facilitate this corridor as part of the core alignment of the South Dade TransitWay first/last mile network; and

**WHEREAS**, such improvements to the South Dade Trail would include the addition of community and transit-oriented amenities such as pedestrian lighting, public art, bicycle facilities, and other micromobility options, which would promote the community interest and welfare of the residents of Miami-Dade County; and

**WHEREAS**, this Board seeks the Florida Legislature's support for the construction of improvements to the South Dade Trail,

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

**Section 1.** Urges the Florida Legislature to appropriate funding for the construction of improvements to the South Dade Trail.

**Section 2.** Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Governor, Senate President, House Speaker, and the Chair and Members of the Miami-Dade State Legislative Delegation.

**Section 3.** Directs the County’s state lobbyists to advocate for the appropriation set forth in section 1 above, and authorizes and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to include this item in the 2022 State Legislative Package when it is presented to this Board.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Danielle Cohen Higgins. 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:

Jose “Pepe” Diaz, Chairman	
Oliver G. Gilbert, III, Vice-Chairman	
Sen. René García	Keon Hardemon
Sally A. Heyman	Danielle Cohen Higgins
Eileen Higgins	Joe A. Martinez
Kionne L. McGhee	Jean Monestime
Raquel A. Regalado	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2021. 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.

D.P.C

Dale P. Clarke