

# MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 8(E)(1)

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


**DATE:** December 1, 2021

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

**SUBJECT:** Resolution delegating contracting authority to the County Mayor to award, access and modify competitively solicited contracts to purchase fire trucks in an aggregated amount not to exceed \$15,600,000.00 for Fiscal Year 2021-22, subject to ratification by the Board on an annual basis; authorizing the County Mayor to exercise all provisions of any contracts awarded, accessed or modified pursuant to this delegation, including any cancellation, renewal and extension provisions; and authorizing the County Mayor to give notice of any award, issue the appropriate purchase order to give effect to same and exercise all the provisions of any such contracts pursuant to section 2-8.1 of the Code and Implementing Order 3-38

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

  
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Geri Bonzon-Keenan  
County Attorney

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**Date:** December 1, 2021  
**To:** Honorable Chairman Jose “Pepe” Diaz  
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Commissioners  
**From:** Daniella Levine Cava *Daniella Levine Cava*  
Mayor  
**Subject:** Miami-Dade Fire Rescue FY 2021-22 Heavy Fleet Vehicles

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## **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) approve the attached resolution delegating authority to the County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee to award, access, and modify competitively solicited contracts for the purchase of 30 vehicles in an amount not to exceed \$15.6 million of heavy fleet vehicles for Miami-Dade Fire Rescue (MDFR). Pursuant to past Board discussion, this item has been bifurcated from the rest of the County fleet purchase to expedite the emergency vehicle order process and secure build slots from the manufacturers.

## **Scope**

This item impacts MDFR.

## **Fiscal Impact/Funding Source**

Miami-Dade Fire Rescue has allocated \$15.6 million for heavy fleet purchases in the FY 2021-22 adopted budget, with funding provided from the Fire Rescue District operating budget, Fire Rescue Impact Fees and federal grant funds.

## **Delegation of Authority**

Upon approval of this item, the County Mayor or the County Mayor’s designee will have the authority to award, access, and modify competitively solicited contracts up to the aggregate amount of the allocation authorized by the Board, subject to ratification on an annual basis. The County Mayor or Mayor’s designee will have the authority to exercise all the provisions of any contracts awarded, accessed, or modified pursuant to such designation, including any cancellation, renewal, and extension provisions, pursuant to Section 2-8.1 of the County Code and Implementing Order 3-38.

## **Track Record Monitor**

MDFR fleet purchases will be managed by Jason Fernandez, MDFR Logistics Division Chief, in coordination with the ISD Fleet Management Division.

## **Background**

MDFR is requesting the Board approve the attached resolution delegating authority to the County Mayor or Mayor’s designee to purchase up to \$15.6 million of heavy fleet. The department is requesting this authority due to the extended build times for the MDFR heavy fleet and the immediate need for fire trucks to provide additional services in the upcoming year. During the Board meeting of December 15, 2020, Commissioner Martinez and others have urged the administration to fast-track procurement of public safety vehicles to avoid future price increases and speed up delivery times by obtaining earlier build slots.

This item will allow the fire department to issue purchase orders immediately, rather than waiting for the future ISD agenda item to approve the entire county fleet purchase and the required financing instrument for those vehicles.

MDFR has been aggressively replacing an aging fleet for the past five years, replacing 60 rescues, 36 engines, and 21 ladders since 2015. MDFR will continue to purchase through the ISD Fleet Management Division purchasing process, accessing cooperative contracts such as the Florida Sheriffs Association, Sourcewell and other competitively bid agreements.

The adopted FY 2021-22 budget for the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department includes \$15.6 million for heavy fleet replacement. The proposed FY 2021-22 MDFR heavy fleet order will consist of nine engines, ten rescues, five ladders, three Battalion/EMS units two Special Events units and one high water rescue. Depending upon final pricing, the quantities and type might need to be adjusted, but will not exceed the \$15.6 million. Funding will be provided from the Fire District Operating Budget, Fire Rescue Impact Fees and federal grant funds. There will be no financing required for these purchases, MDFR will continue the pay as you go fleet replacement program started in 2019. Prior to the pay as you go program MDFR had borrowed more than \$46 million for heavy fleet. After the current fiscal year, the department will owe \$5.7 million, all of which will be paid off within the following two fiscal years.



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J.D. Patterson  
Chief Public Safety Officer



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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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12-1-21

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

RESOLUTION DELEGATING CONTRACTING AUTHORITY TO THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO AWARD, ACCESS AND MODIFY COMPETITIVELY SOLICITED CONTRACTS TO PURCHASE FIRE TRUCKS IN AN AGGREGATED AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$15,600,000.00 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-22, SUBJECT TO RATIFICATION BY THE BOARD ON AN ANNUAL BASIS; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS OF ANY CONTRACTS AWARDED, ACCESSED OR MODIFIED PURSUANT TO THIS DELEGATION, INCLUDING ANY CANCELLATION, RENEWAL AND EXTENSION PROVISIONS; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO GIVE NOTICE OF ANY AWARD, ISSUE THE APPROPRIATE PURCHASE ORDER TO GIVE EFFECT TO SAME AND EXERCISE ALL THE PROVISIONS OF ANY SUCH CONTRACTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-8.1 OF THE CODE AND IMPLEMENTING ORDER 3-38

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

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**, that this Board: (1) approves delegation of contracting authority to the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to award, access, and modify competitively solicited contracts to purchase fire trucks in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$15,600,000.00 for Fiscal Year 2021-22, subject to ratification by the Board on an annual basis; (2) authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to exercise all provisions of any contracts awarded, accessed, or modified pursuant to this delegation, including any cancellation, renewal and extension provisions; and (3) authorizes the County Mayor or

County Mayor's designee to give notice of any award, issue the appropriate purchase order to give effect to same and exercise all provisions of any such contract pursuant to section 2-8.1 of the County Code and Implementing Order 3-38. No contract shall be modified in any material respect which could affect the basis of evaluation and selection of such contract. A copy of all contracts awarded, accessed, or modified will be available upon request from the Internal Services Department, Strategic Procurement Division.

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:

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 1<sup>st</sup> day of December, 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.



Michael B. Valdes