M E M O R A N D U M

APC
Agenda Item No. 6(A)

TO: Honorable Chairwoman Raquel A. Regalado
and Members, Appropriations Committee

DATE: November 13, 2025

FROM: Honorable Juan Fernandez-Barquin
Clerk of the Court and Comptroller

SUBJECT: Approval of Commission
Committee Minutes

Basia Pruna, Director
Clerk of the Board

The following Clerk's Summary of Minutes is submitted for approval:

- September 10, 2025

Attachment(s)

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
CLERK'S SUMMARY OF MINUTES

Appropriations Committee

Stephen P. Clark Government Center
Commission Chambers
111 N.W. 1st Street
Miami, FL 33128

September 10, 2025
11:00 AM

Juan Fernandez-Barquin
Clerk of the Court and Comptroller

Basia Pruna, Director
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José Soto
Commission Reporter
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CLERK'S SUMMARY OF
Meeting Minutes
Appropriations Committee

Raquel A. Regalado (7), Chairwoman; Danielle Cohen Higgins (8), Vice Chairwoman; Commissioners Roberto J. Gonzalez (11), Natalie Milian Orbis (6), and Micky Steinberg (4)

Wednesday, September 10, 2025	11:00 AM	Commission Chambers

Members Present: Danielle Cohen Higgins, Roberto J. Gonzalez, Natalie Milian Orbis, Raquel A. Regalado, Micky Steinberg.

Members Absent: None.

Members Late: None.

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent County Business: None.

1 MINUTES PREPARED BY:

Report: *José Soto, Commission Reporter (305) 375-1294*

1A INVOCATION AS PROVIDED IN RULE 5.05 (H)

Report: *Chairwoman Regalado convened the Appropriations Committee (APC) meeting at 11:12 a.m. with a moment of silence.*

1B ROLL CALL

Report: *In addition to the Committee members, the following staff members were present:*

- Dr. Carladenise Edwards, Chief Administrative Officer, Office of the Mayor;

- Mr. Jimmy Morales, Chief Operations Officer, Office of the Mayor;

- Mr. Roy Coley, Chief Utilities and Regulatory Services Officer, Office of the Mayor;

- Assistant County Attorney (ACA) Michael Valdes;

- Chief Ray Jadallah, Miami-Dade Fire Rescue (MDFR);

- Mr. Jay Fink, Director, Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Department (WASD);

- Mr. Ray Baker, Director, Miami-Dade Public Library System (MDPLS);

- Mr. Nathan Kogon, Director, Miami-Dade Housing and Community Development (HCD);

- Mr. Ralph Cutié, Director and Chief Executive Officer, Miami-Dade Aviation Department (MDAD);

- Ms. Hydi Webb, Director, Miami-Dade Seaport Department (Seaport);

- Ms. Beth Goldsmith, Chief Strategy Officer, Miami-Dade Department of Transportation and Public Works (DTPW);

- Ms. Lourdes Gomez, Director, Miami-Dade Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources (RER);

- Ms. Julie Dick, Deputy Chief Resilience Officer & Director of Energy, Miami-Dade Office of Environmental Risk and Resilience (Office of Resilience); and

- Deputy Clerks Kerry Khunjar Breakenridge, Jessica Tyrrell, and José Soto, Clerk of the Board.

1C PLEDGE OF ALLIEGIANCE

Report: *Commissioner Steinberg led the Pledge of Allegiance.*

1D REASONABLE OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO BE HEARD AS PROVIDED IN RULE 6.06

Report: *Chairwoman Regalado opened the reasonable opportunity to be heard, and seeing no one appear wishing to speak, closed the reasonable opportunity to be heard.*

Setting of the Agenda:

ACA Valdes advised that the items to be considered at today's APC meeting would be listed in the final printed agenda, along with the addition of Agenda Items 1F1, 3N and 3O.

Commissioner Gonzalez moved that the Committee approve today's agenda, with the aforementioned changes. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Steinberg and upon being put to a vote, passed 5-0.

Chairwoman Regalado requested that Agenda Item 3C be pulled.

Commissioner Gonzalez moved to simultaneously consider Agenda Items 2A, 3A, 3B, 3D, 3E, 3F, 3G, 3H, 3I, 3J, 3K, 3L, 3M, 3N,3O and 6A. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Milian Orbis, and upon being put to a vote, passed 5-0.

SPECIAL NOTE: Agenda Items 2A, 3A, 3B, 3D, 3E, 3F, 3G, 3H, 3I, 3J, 3K, 3L, 3M, 3N and 3O were forwarded with favorable recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners (Board/BCC), and Agenda Item 6A was approved.

Later in the meeting, the administration requested Agenda Item 3H be forwarded to the October 9, 2025 BCC meeting.

1E SPECIAL PRESENTATION(S)

1F DISCUSSION ITEM(S)

1F1

251806 **Discussion Item** **Raquel A. Regalado**

DISCUSSION RE: ENTERPRISE DEPARTMENTS BUDGET(S) ***Presented***

Report: *Prior to the start of today's Committee meeting, Chairwoman Regalado announced that the discussion would focus solely on County departments that utilized Enterprise Funds, which were generated by and proprietary to those departments.*

Chairwoman Regalado opened the floor for public comments. The following public attendees waived in support of the item, in lieu of speaking:

-Mr. Nick Mayor, 930 SW 124th Court, Miami, FL;

-Ms. Barbara Meulener, 1485 NE 121st Street, Miami, FL;

-Ms. Melissa Vitein, 10800 Biscayne Boulevard, Miami, FL;

-Ms. Amy Morales, 829 SW 9th Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL;

-Ms. Tenny-Ann Dandy, 10800 Biscayne Boulevard, Miami, FL; and

-Ms. Sumaiyah Wade, 10800 Biscayne Boulevard, Miami, FL

Seeing no other persons appear wishing to speak, the floor was closed.

Chairwoman Regalado introduced the discussion item and detailed the topics to be covered, which included jobs created in departments that used Enterprise Funds over the last five years, public relations and marketing efforts by the departments, and changes to the departments since 2020 with any anticipated future changes.

Seaport Presentation:

Ms. Webb began the Seaport presentation, highlighting that the department was self-funded through fees from long-term cruise and cargo agreements and leases. She noted that the Seaport was the number one cruise port globally with 8.2 million passengers in 2024, ranked number one in Florida for cargo and number eleven in the United

States for cargo, and generated an economic impact of $61 billion, which created over 340,000 jobs for the community.

Ms. Webb reported that the 2026 projected revenues would be $346 million from long-term contractual agreements, with cruise lines comprising 44.5% of guaranteed revenue and cargo representing approximately 25%. She explained that the remainder was attributed to leases, permits, and ground transportation revenues. She continued that the Seaport maintained $420 million in cash reserves, which raised the total 2026 projected revenue to $768 million and represented a 16.8% increase over the revenue generated in the current fiscal year.

Ms. Webb informed the Committee that the Seaport's 2026 projected expenses would be $177 million, comprised of employee salaries, contractual services, and expenses paid to other County departments. She also noted that the Seaport had a $368 million capital program for 2026.

Ms. Webb described the Seaport's capital improvement program, which included contractually guaranteed revenue-generating projects. These included a cruise terminal and campus for Royal Caribbean Cruises, development of a new berth for MSC Cruises, ERTG cranes in the South Florida Container Terminal, and commencement of an eight-year rehabilitation of the North Bulkhead Project. She acknowledged that while the latter would not generate additional revenue, it would ensure the Seaport's critical infrastructure remained viable for future business.

Ms. Webb addressed the Seaport's staffing structure, noting that there were 518 full-time positions with 91 current vacancies, all of which had remained budgeted since 2023. She explained that 74 positions had been vacant for more than six months due to a hiring freeze implemented by the County Mayor in March 2025 and because the Seaport operated seasonally. She clarified that over half of the positions, approximately 350, were public-facing roles that included housekeeping, maintenance, cargo operations, and security.

Ms. Webb reported that the promotional account for the Seaport was $1.4 million, representing 0.8% of the overall budget, and was used for memberships, subscriptions, conferences, and community-based organizations. Chairwoman Regalado acknowledged that the Seaport had made significant *reductions in promotional line items, which reduced the promotional budget from $1.6 million to $1.4 million. In response, Ms. Webb explained that this reduction reflected a strategic shift from print to digital marketing.*

Ms. Webb next addressed departmental charges, explaining that $42 million annually was paid to other County departments for services. She detailed that the largest portion ($19.8 million) went to the Miami-Dade Sheriff's Office for security services, followed by $8.5 million for MDFR, $5.8 million for the Miami-Dade Information Technology Department, and $1.5 million to the Miami-Dade Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces for landscaping. She noted that smaller amounts were allocated to the DTPW for taxi services, the Miami-Dade Department of Solid Waste Management for mosquito control, and for bond administration.

Chairwoman Regalado questioned whether the Seaport should pay a portion of costs for fire boat services, noting that while the boats served the broader County, they were specifically designed with modifications for cruise ship fires.

Chief Jadallah explained that MDFR operated four marine fire vessels (two 55-footers and two 38-footers) plus a 27-foot safe boat, which were purchased between 2018-2019 for approximately $1.1 million each. He stated that the annual operating cost for each boat was approximately $5.5 million for 24-hour daily operation, with an expected 10-15 year lifespan.

Chief Jadallah clarified that one vessel had been modified with "purple K" retardant for LNG-type fires and that firefighting on cruise ships typically occurred inside the vessels. He confirmed that the fire rescue fee paid by the Seaport did not include the fire boats and that the port currently paid a monthly rent of $8,640 ($103,680 annually including tax), plus docking fees for the fire boat berths. He also confirmed that the Seaport had an agreement with MDFR for fire and rescue truck services, plus fire carts were deployed when the port experienced high traffic volumes.

In response to Chairwoman Regalado's suggestion that the Seaport partially fund the fire boats, Chief Jadallah deferred to Ms. Webb and the Committee.

Vice Chairwoman Cohen Higgins and Commissioner Steinberg commended Ms. Webb for the Seaport's fiscal management and regular *updates. Following their remarks, Chairwoman Regalado highlighted the Seaport's strategic fiscal decisions during the COVID-19 pandemic, which included expediting capital projects during the shutdown when cruise operations were at a standstill.*

Later in the meeting, Chairwoman Regalado suggested that MDFR and the Seaport discuss the possibility of making the annual rent payment equivalent to the port's contribution to fire boat costs in order to achieve a revenue-neutral outcome.

Chairwoman Regalado also suggested later in the meeting that MDFR discuss with Seaport regarding the monthly rent of $8,640 ($103,680 annually including tax), plus docking fees for the fire boat berths and consider making the annual rent payment equivalent to the port's contribution to fire boat costs in order to have a neutral outcome.

Aviation

Mr. Cutié provided a status update of the Miami International Airport (MIA) and its budget, emphasizing its status as one of the world's busiest airports. He reported that MIA had:

-56 million passengers in 2024, which made it the second busiest in the United States (U.S.) for international passengers (34th in the world), and 10th for total passengers (27th in the world) ;

-Averaged 1,100-1,300 flights aily;

-Was ranked ninth in the U.S. for total aircraft operations and 13th globally and

-For cargo, MIA ranked number one (1) in the U.S. for international freight (5th in world), number three (3) for total freight and total cargo (6th in world).

Mr. Cutié said that MIA generated $181.4 billion in annual economic impact and supported 843,000 jobs, making it Florida's top economic engine.

Long-term projections anticipated 77 million passengers and 5 million tons of cargo by 2040, compared to the current 3.1 million tons.

Mr. Cutié specified the airport's residual model where 35% of revenue came from non-aeronautical sources (rents, parking, and fees, and the remaining 65% came from airline charges.

The operational budget totaled $1.274 billion, which comprised $774 million in operating expenses, $368 million in required bond transfers for reserves and debt service, and $131.7 million in required reserves, which were 17% per bond agreements.

The capital budget for 2025 was $699 million, which covered over 200 projects, with a total 15-year capital plan of $12 billion.

Chairwoman Regalado pointed out that even though positions were left vacant in many County departments for budgetary reasons there was employment growth at MIA.

In response, Mr. Cutié stated MIA added approximately 330 positions over five years, bringing total staff to 1,762 employees. There were 166 current vacancies, plus 75 new positions requested in the County Budget, with the majority of those positions being for maintenance and operations.

Mr. Cutié continued that the hiring of 135 positions in 2024 (primarily for maintenance and operations) accommodated MIA's growth, and maintained operations while providing optimal customer experience. These positions would eliminate $8.1 million in overtime costs. Regarding long-term vacancies, 63% were in active recruitment and 23% were being processed.

Chairwoman Regalado commented that MIA's complex background checks and badging processes could extend hiring timelines significantly. She also said that many airport vacancies were for highly technical positions which took longer to fill. Mr. Cutié remarked that despite the challenges, most of these positions would be filled in the next two (2) years.

Mr. Cutié also spoke about the airport's strategic marketing budget, which was $4 million (0.52% of the overall budget), and focused on earned media and digital marketing instead of traditional advertising. MIA also contracted consultants for air service development at $186,000 annually over five years to attract new airlines, which contributed to the MIA roster of nearly 100 airlines.

Public Housing

Mr. Kogon presented the structure of HCD, *explaining that it operated as four distinct funding pillars or departments with balanced budgets and limited ability to transfer dollars between them:*

1. Public Housing: HCD had 6,000 units housing 10,000 residents, and was an $80 million operation funded almost exclusively by federal dollars.

2. Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers: HCD had 22,000 total vouchers (19,000 were tenant-based for rental assistance), and was a $430 million program with federal funding.

3. Community Development: HCD used a mixture of revenue including the County's surtax dollars for private sector housing development, homeownership, down payment assistance, second soft mortgages, and condo assessments. Other revenue sources included federal Community Development Block Grant, HOME Investment Partnerships Program, and the state's Strategic Housing Initiatives Partnerships programs for infrastructure, public service projects and economic development in areas regulated by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

4. Development: Redevelopment of public housing stock and vacant properties using federal and surtax dollar.

Mr. Kogon noted that HCD only received $3 million from the General Fund, primarily for an assisted living facility and minimally for an infill housing program established by the Board 10 to 15 years ago.

Mr. Kogon stated that HCD was planning a restructuring for public housing operations which would modify HCD positions, and possibly eliminate some of them, and for Section 8 administration. He continued that since the department had an operating budget of $640 million it would do a full analysis of its processes to improve efficiencies and cost savings.

Chairwoman Regalado provided historical context about HUD's RAD (Rental Assistance Demonstration) program. She said that prior to 2016 the County owned public housing units but had maintenance issues due to insufficient federal funding. RAD allowed partnerships with developers to redevelop units, and transferred maintenance responsibility to private management companies, while HCD retained voucher management *responsibilities.*

Discussion ensued between Chairwoman Regalado and Mr. Kogon about the federal government plans to revamp the voucher program that could use the RAD methodology and save time and improve responses to housing issues. Mr. Kogon remarked that new project-based vouchers could be used for public housing redevelopment and incentivize private developers to assist housing agencies with redevelopment.

Mr. Kogon noted the Section 8 program had federal funding challenges. HCD had 19,000 vouchers, but insufficient funding to support them. He explained that HUD looked at the total number of vouchers and assigned a value in funding. While rent had increased, HCD was able to increase the number of vouchers. He continued that funding was based on an assumption of rent which was called the inflation factor and HUD had not assigned the County the correct inflation factor. Mr. Kogon added that although the County received a 0% inflation factor from HUD despite a 16.5% increase in program cost, Broward County received a 12.9% increase from HUD.

Mr. Kogon described ongoing efforts with HUD's shortfall team, federal lobbyists, and HUD Regional Administrator Denise Cleveland-Leggett to secure appropriate funding. He noted that historically, agencies that followed proper procedures received shortfall funding, and there was a potential $45 million shortfall which was reduced from HUD's initial $77 million projection through efficiency measures.

Mr. Kogon stated that the department would provide additional updates.

RER

Ms. Gomez noted that RER was focused on full funding and staffing in order to provide optimal services in land development and permitting for the public. She reported 296 vacancies, of which half were vacant for more than six months due to the County Mayor's hiring freeze, although many recruitment efforts already started.

Regarding RER's digitization efforts, Ms. Gomez indicated that services would expand for the transparency of the plan review and permit processes by bringing these services online with many already programmed into the department's

Gold Key system. She emphasized that functions related to the Miami-Dade Department of Environmental Resource Management (DERM) would be included into the system, as well.

Chairwoman Regalado emphasized the critical nature of these positions, noting that permitting delays cost both the private sector and the County. She emphasized the importance of concurrent review processes enabled by digitization.

Ms. Gomez identified three positions that presented a recruitment challenge:

1. Structural Engineers: Only 600-700 were licensed in Florida, with current staff averaging about 20 years of County service and nearing retirement. Ms. Gomez stated that RER had been able to retain staff despite competition from the private sector, which offered remote work options that the County could not match. She voiced her concerns that the private sector's remote work options affected the ability to recruit new employees.

2. Hydrogeologists: The same issue of private sector competition also applied with the hydrogeologists employed by DERM. There was a limited pool of qualified candidates for pollution remediation, closure reviews, and brownfield assessments.

3. IT Staff: RER faced significant competition from major software companies that offered remote work flexibility. The department lost seven (7) IT positions, which required consultant support to maintain service levels and ensure digitization commitments with regards to permitting.

DERM

Ms. Gomez also updated the Committee about DERM's funding and personnel. She explained that there had been a decrease in funding and staff at DERM because it was no longer part of RER and added that permitting operations would remain with RER.

The operations that remained with DERM included:

- Water resources management

- Project implementation

- Water quality sampling and monitoring

- Biscayne Bay restoration

- Environmentally Endangered Land management and acquisition

- Wellfield protection coordination with WASD

- Pollution prevention

- Environmental code enforcement

Chairwoman Regalado pointed out that during the September 4, 2025 First Budget Hearing, Commissioner Milian Orbis inquired about the advertising costs for DERM, and Chairwoman Regalado asked the administration if this information was available.

In response, Ms. Dick provided information about the Biscayne Bay marketing budget, which included:

Biscayne Bay Watershed Plan ($300,000): A new contract to continue consulting services for the Biscayne Bay Back Bay Study.

Biscayne Bay Back Bay Study ($500,000): A federal project with U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Army Corps) requiring technical translation services for critical infrastructure hardening and flood protection. Ms. Dick explained this major federal investment required specialized consulting to translate complex Army Corps engineering into understandable public information.

Biscayne Bay Marketing ($100,000): Requested by the Biscayne Bay Watershed Management Advisory Board and was composed of County Commissioners.

Extreme Heat Marketing Campaign ($250,000): The campaign reached three million people annually through multiple channels with heat safety messaging, information about life-saving preventative measures, connected residents to low and no-cost home-cooling resources, and activated 64 designated cooling sites in the County.

Commissioner Steinberg clarified for Commissioner Milian Orbis the various agencies listed by Ms. Dick.

In response to Commissioner Milian Orbis' question as to how DERM measured the effectiveness of the marketing, Ms. Dick reported that the County had the lowest emergency room heat-related visits in the state and that residents were using the cooling sites.

Commissioner Milian Orbis opined that DERM's marketing were duplicative because multiple departments conducted heat-related messaging.

Chairwoman Regalado pointed out that many departments placed non-advertising projects into advertising budgets, such as studies. She suggested that comprehensive information should be provided about coordination with DERM and other departments, as well as total spending across departments.

Chairwoman Regalado noted that some marketing had been directed by previous Board resolutions, and required specific action to undo those directives, similar to changes being made for WASD advertising budgets.

Chief Edwards stated that the administration was compiling information regarding all the questions asked by the County Commissioners recently. She added that as per the Board's recommendation the County Mayor eliminated the Office of Resilience from the proposed County Budget to consolidate and streamline efforts from departments. Chief Edwards concluded that DERM was coordinating with other departments to avoid duplicating marketing efforts.

Commissioner Milian Orbis voiced concerns that despite requests dating back to the Committee of the Whole (COTW) meeting a month prior, and again at the First Budget hearing, she still had not received detailed responses about consolidating marketing efforts or removing items from the General Fund. She specifically noted that the County Mayor had committed at the COTW to removing the extreme heat marketing from the budget.

Commissioner Gonzalez requested that all questions asked during the meeting and all answers provided by staff be documented in writing, separate from meeting transcripts. He emphasized he wanted written explanations and clarifications from staff that could be reviewed before the final budget adoption.

Chairwoman Regalado pointed out that transcripts of the meeting could be provided by the Clerk of the Court and Comptroller of Miami-Dade County. She suggested Commissioner Gonzalez meet with staff individually for the answers. Chairwoman Regalado instructed Ms. Dick to provide a breakdown of DERM's marketing efforts with specifics.

Commissioner Gonzalez maintained his request for written responses.

Chief Edwards responded that staff would meet with Commissioner Gonzalez and the transcript of the meeting would be publicly available. She also informed him of how to access audio/visual and print records of meetings online.

Commissioner Milian Orbis requested breakdowns of the marketing and the marketing materials to be provided before the September 18, 2025 Second Budget Hearing.

Commissioner Steinberg recommended that the budget breakdowns include delineation of actual advertising and outreach efforts. She questioned why studies and non-advertisement related projects were bundled with advertising.

Ms. Dick provided clarity regarding the marketing line items she listed earlier.

Commissioner Milian Orbis requested a motion to freeze all advertising and marketing that was not required by law until the Board could examine these expenditures comprehensively.

Libraries

Mr. Baker presented MDPLS' budget, explaining the library system's unique funding structure through a special library district millage without General Fund backstop. With flat millage rates, their budget depended entirely on tax roll growth. He noted that the budget remained flat, except for growth in the tax roll and growth in the cost of positions and expenses. Mr. Baker added that one administrative position would be eliminated for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

MDPLS maintained 50 locations with consistent hours (9:30 AM-8:00 PM Monday-Thursday, 9:30 AM-6:00 PM Friday-Saturday), which was achieved without adding staff. Of 817 total positions, 288 (34%) were part-time, which helped control costs while maintaining service levels.

Aside from staffing, a major component of the budget was devoted to 24 capital improvement projects in various stages of development.

Mr. Baker highlighted assorted features about MDPLS, such as:

-How the library system constructed its budget with a five-year plan and took into account conservative growth projections

-Online and in-person services provided by MDPLS

-Received over $39 million in grant funding over the last 10-15 years from the state and federal government for operating and capital projects

Mr. Baker noted efforts to provide consistent service hours in the MDPLS branches following the COVID-19 pandemic in 2021. There was modest growth from 634 to 662 staff over five years, primarily in public service positions. New positions supported expanded services, including three revenue-generating passport centers and increased maintenance needs for growing capital projects.

Responding to Commissioner Milian Orbis' question if MDPLS funded cooling center in libraries, Mr. Baker informed her that the library system did not provide specific funding for heat-related cooling centers, and only gave in-house marketing support for distributing flyers.

Water and Sewer

Chief Coley gave a brief PowerPoint presentation about the budget for WASD and explained the entire rate increase supported a $560 million capital improvement program with no operational increases proposed. He emphasized that WASD was 100% proprietary with no tax funding.

Chief Coley elaborated on the rate increase reduction process and how he worked with Chairwoman Regalado to cut the proposed increase from 6% to 3.5% by finding $20.9 million in recurring operational savings. Further reductions would require cutting infrastructure projects, and most were mandated by federal consent decrees or ocean outfall legislation requirements that were already behind schedule.

The 3.5% rate increase impacted minimum-usage customers (typically retired couples or fixed incomes) by 44 cents monthly and average single-family customers by 87 cents monthly while maintaining required debt coverage ratios.

Chief Coley confirmed with Chairwoman Regalado that reducing the rate increase further would necessitate removing projects from the approved list, which potentially created serious compliance *issues with federal mandates.*

When Commissioner Gonzalez asked about retiree insurance rate announcements, Chief Edwards replied the date for the announcements would be provided shortly.

1G PUBLIC HEARING(S)

1G1

251158 Ordinance **Raquel A. Regalado, Juan Carlos Bermudez, Sen. Rene Garcia**

ORDINANCE RELATING TO SECURITY AT MIAMI-DADE WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT; AMENDING SECTIONS 32-171 AND 32-172 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA; ADDING DEFINITIONS; EXTENDING TIME PERIOD FOR IDENTIFICATION CARDS; AMENDING INFORMATION PROVIDED WITH APPLICATION; AUTHORIZING SECURITY DIVISION TO OBTAIN FINGERPRINTS FOR SUBMISSION TO FEDERAL AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES FOR BACKGROUND CHECKS ON EMPLOYEES, CONTRACTORS AND VENDORS REQUIRING ACCESS TO RESTRICTED AREAS OF THE MIAMI-DADE WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT; APPROVING THE PLAN OF ISSUANCE; AND PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN AND EXCLUSION FROM THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE (Water & Sewer Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation following a public hearing
Mover: Steinberg
Seconder: Gonzalez
Vote: 5-0

Report: *ACA Valdes read the title of the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.*

Chairwoman Regalado opened the public hearing, and seeing no one come forward to speak, closed the public hearing.

Mr. Fink advised that the foregoing legislation would facilitate the creation of new WASD identification cards and generate approximately $30,000 in annual cost savings by eliminating the need for annual card printing.

Chairwoman Regalado noted that the new system would not pose security issues, as it would provide more specific work zone designations. She also reiterated that the system would generate cost and time savings.

There being no further comments or questions, the Committee proceeded to vote on the proposed ordinance, as presented.

2 COUNTY COMMISSION

2A

251638 Resolution **Marleine Bastien**

RESOLUTION REVISING, AFTER A PUBLIC HEARING, THE INVENTORY LIST OF REAL PROPERTY APPROPRIATE FOR USE AS AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 125.379, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO INCLUDE FIVE COUNTY-OWNED PROPERTIES (FOLIO NO. 30-3103-024-0020, 30-3111-040-0080, 30-3103-019-1100, 06-2126-020-0270, AND 30-3110-053-0950) ("COUNTY PROPERTIES"); DECLARING THE COUNTY PROPERTIES SURPLUS; APPROVING, PURSUANT TO SECTION 125.379, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE CONVEYANCE OF (1) FOLIO NOS. 30-3103-024-0020 AND 30-3111-040-0080 TO HW PLAINVIEW ENTERPRISES LLC, A FLORIDA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, (2) FOLIO NO. 30-3103-019-1100 TO MORALES PALACIO DEVELOPERS GROUP, LLC, A FLORIDA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, AND (3) FOLIO NOS. 06-2126-020-0270, AND 30-3110-053-0950 TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, INC., A FLORIDA NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION FOR A NOMINAL AMOUNT, FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEVELOPING SUCH COUNTY PROPERTY WITH AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO BE SOLD OR RENTED TO HOUSEHOLDS WHOSE INCOME DOES NOT EXCEED 120 PERCENT OF AREA MEDIAN INCOME; DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ACCOMPLISH THE CONVEYANCE OF THE PROPERTIES; AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRPERSON OR VICE-CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO EXECUTE COUNTY DEEDS FOR SUCH PURPOSE; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE SALE, TO EXERCISE ANY AND ALL RIGHTS SET FORTH IN THE COUNTY DEEDS, AND TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE ANY RENTAL REGULATORY AGREEMENT AS REQUIRED THEREIN AND ENFORCE THE PROVISIONS THEREIN; AND WAIVING RESOLUTION NOS. R-407-19, R-130-06, R-758-21, AND R-376-11

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Gonzalez
Seconder: Milian Orbis
Vote: 5-0

3 DEPARTMENT(S)

3A

251678 **Resolution**

RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE'S EXECUTION OF SUBAWARD AGREEMENT NUMBER Z4611 WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TO RECEIVE FEDERAL PASS-THROUGH FUNDS FOR HURRICANE MILTON AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE REVISIONS TO THE SUBAWARD AGREEMENT, INCLUDING AMENDMENTS AND EXTENSIONS, AND TO RECEIVE AND EXPEND THE AWARDED FUNDS (Office of Management and Budget)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Gonzalez
Seconder: Milian Orbis
Vote: 5-0

3B

251669 **Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING, PURSUANT TO SECTION 489.145, FLORIDA STATUTES, A GUARANTEED ENERGY, WATER AND WASTEWATER PERFORMANCE SAVINGS CONTRACT AND SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH AMERESCO INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF $3,691,428.00; AUTHORIZING COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO A THIRD-PARTY FINANCING AGREEMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $3,785,465.00 TO IMPLEMENT ENERGY CONSERVATION MEASURES AT TWO PEOPLE AND INTERNAL OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT FACILITIES: MIAMI-DADE CHILDREN'S COURTHOUSE AND E.R. GRAHAM BUILDING, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS; AUTHORIZING COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ALL AFOREMENTIONED AGREEMENTS ON BEHALF OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND TO EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN (People and Internal Operations)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Gonzalez
Seconder: Milian Orbis
Vote: 5-0

3C

251682 **Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A DESIGNATED PURCHASE PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-8.1(B)(3) OF THE COUNTY CODE BY A TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF THE BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT; AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL TIME OF FIVE YEARS AND EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY IN THE AMOUNT OF $11,000,000.00 FOR CONTRACT NO. RFP808; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. 4 ON BEHALF OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND TO EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACT, INCLUDING ANY CANCELLATION OR EXTENSIONS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-8.1 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND IMPLEMENTING ORDER 3-38 (Transportation and Public Works)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Gonzalez
Seconder: Steinberg
Vote: 4-0
Absent: Milian Orbis

Report: *Ms. Goldsmith explained that the item was a five-year contract extension under which Clever Devices Ltd. (Clever) would continue providing technical and maintenance services for DTPW's computer-aided dispatch/automated vehicle locator system. She noted that while the department planned to replace the system in the future, the replacement process would be lengthy, therefore, the contract extension included system upgrades and additional modules to support the department's incoming electric vehicle fleet.*

In response to Chairwoman Regalado's inquiry if DTPW intended to change the system, Ms. Goldsmith noted that a request for proposal (RFP) would be issued but it would differ from standard request for proposals (RFP). She explained that the RFP would include a proof of concept phase during the solicitation, which would result in a longer procurement process and she expected a multi-year implementation of the new system. Ms. Goldsmith added that the department would extend outreach to the entire industry for the new system, including Clever.

Ms. Goldsmith clarified that the RFP process would not take five years, but rather the implementation of the replacement system would occur within that timeframe. She added that the department would attempt to expedite the implementation through a structured process.

In response to Commissioner Steinberg's inquiry as to when DTPW began conducting outreach for an

RFP, given that the current contract was set to expire in November 2025, Ms. Goldsmith reported that outreach had been ongoing for two years and emphasized the need to extend the contract with Clever.

Chairwoman Regalado requested that Chief Morales provide updates to the Committee on the progress of the RFP. She voiced her support for the unique RFP process, which would include a pilot program/proof-of-concept phase, but expressed concern that the procurement process itself might be lengthened as a result.

Chief Morales reassured the Committee members that the administration would work with the Miami-Dade Strategic Procurement Department to ensure that the procurement process was well coordinated with the RFP.

Commissioner Steinberg commented that the new technology needed to yield long-term cost savings upon implementation.

Commissioner Gonzalez asked to meet with DTPW staff regarding the RFP.

There being no further questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the proposed resolution, as presented.

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There being no further questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the proposed resolution, as presented.

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251356 **Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY IN AN AMOUNT UP TO $2,608,778.00 FOR A TOTAL MODIFIED CUMULATIVE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF $10,600,778.00 FOR CONTRACT NO. FB-01523, 50 PERCENT LIQUID HYDROGEN PEROXIDE SOLUTION, FOR THE WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACT, INCLUDING ANY CANCELLATION OR EXTENSIONS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-8.1 OF THE COUNTY CODE AND IMPLEMENTING ORDER 3-38 (Strategic Procurement)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Gonzalez
Seconder: Milian Orbis
Vote: 5-0

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251574 **Resolution** **Danielle Cohen Higgins**

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REPLENISHMENT OF THE OVERALL PROGRAM EXPENDITURE LIMIT IN THE AMOUNT OF $500,000,000.00 FOR THE MISCELLANEOUS CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS PROGRAM (Strategic Procurement)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Gonzalez
Seconder: Milian Orbis
Vote: 5-0

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251676 **Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY UP TO $9,500,000.00 FOR A TOTAL MODIFIED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF $43,792,748.00 FOR CONTRACT NO. 4400008468 FOR PUBLIC SAFETY & EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT & SERVICES FOR MULTIPLE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR’S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACT, INCLUDING ANY CANCELLATION, RENEWALS, OR EXTENSIONS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-8.1 OF THE COUNTY CODE AND IMPLEMENTING ORDER 3-38 (Strategic Procurement)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Gonzalez
Seconder: Milian Orbis
Vote: 5-0

3G

251677 **Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY UP TO $1,700,000.00 UNDER GROUP B FOR CONTRACT/POOL NO. FB-01358, PROTECTION COVERING AND HURRICANE SHUTTERS, FOR A TOTAL MODIFIED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF $6,593,240.00 FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR’S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACT UNDER GROUP B, INCLUDING ANY CANCELLATION OR EXTENSIONS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-8.1 OF THE COUNTY CODE AND IMPLEMENTING ORDER 3-38 (Strategic Procurement)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Gonzalez
Seconder: Milian Orbis
Vote: 5-0

3H

251679 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. 2 FOR CONTRACT NO. RFP-01622 FOR COURT CASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CLERK OF THE COURT AND COMPTROLLER AND ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT AND EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS THEREIN (Strategic Procurement)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Gonzalez
Seconder: Milian Orbis
Vote: 5-0

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Michael Valdes advised that that the administration had requested for the foregoing proposed resolution to be forwarded to the October 9, 2025 Board of County Commissioners (Board) meeting.*

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251691 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WAIVER OF COMPETITIVE BIDDING PROCEDURES PURSUANT TO SECTION 5.03(D) OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER AND SECTION 2-8.1(B) OF THE COUNTY CODE BY A TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF THE BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT AND AWARD A NON-COMPETITIVE CONTRACT, CONTRACT NO. BW-10593, TO DR. RICHARD R. SOUVIRON, D.D.S. FOR FORENSIC ODONTOLOGY SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF $660,000.00 FOR A FIVE-YEAR TERM FOR THE MEDICAL EXAMINER DEPARTMENT; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACT, INCLUDING ANY CANCELLATION OR EXTENSIONS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-8.1(B) OF THE CODE OF MIAMI- DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND IMPLEMENTING ORDER 3- 38 (Strategic Procurement)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Gonzalez
Seconder: Milian Orbis
Vote: 5-0

3J

251705 **Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING AWARD OF CONTRACT NO. EVN0000390 TO GIRO INC. FOR FIXED ROUTE SCHEDULING SOFTWARE IN A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $6,278,077.00 FOR A FIVE-YEAR TERM, WITH ONE, FIVE-YEAR OPTION TO RENEW FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC WORKS; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACT, INCLUDING ANY CANCELLATION, RENEWAL, OR EXTENSIONS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-8.1 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND IMPLEMENTING ORDER 3-38 (Strategic Procurement)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Gonzalez
Seconder: Milian Orbis
Vote: 5-0

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251614 **Resolution** **Eileen Higgins**

RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE ACTION OF THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE, PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 2-9 AND 2-10 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, EXECUTING THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE MIAMI RIVER COMMISSION FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM, FROM OCTOBER 1, 2024, TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2025, AT A COST OF $208,088.00; APPROVING AN ADDITIONAL SIX-YEAR TERM OF THE AGREEMENT, FROM OCTOBER 1, 2025, TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2031, AT A TOTAL COST OF $1,856,320.00; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE THE ADDITIONAL SIX-YEAR TERM AND TO EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN, INCLUDING THE AUTHORITY TO TERMINATE (Transportation and Public Works)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Gonzalez
Seconder: Milian Orbis
Vote: 5-0

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251400 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS FOR CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING AND INSPECTION SERVICES FOR VARIOUS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS, SPD PROJECT NO. E23TP04; CONTRACT NO. 20230116; BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND ADA ENGINEERING INC, ALLY ENGINEERING SERVICES, INC, HBC ENGINEERING COMPANY, AND SRS ENGINEERING INC, IN A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $22,000,000.00 INCLUSIVE OF CONTINGENCY, AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR’S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE THE SAME AND TO EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN, INCLUDING TERMINATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN; AND AUTHORIZING THE USE OF PEOPLE’S TRANSPORTATION PLAN BOND PROGRAM FUNDS FOR THESE PROJECTS WHICH WERE ADDED TO THE FIVE-YEAR IMPLEMENTATION PLAN IN JANUARY 2019 (Transportation and Public Works)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Gonzalez
Seconder: Milian Orbis
Vote: 5-0

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251457 Resolution

RESOLUTION RATIFYING AWARD OF CONTRACT NO. EVN0007482, PURSUANT TO PREQUALIFICATION POOL NO. 9562-5/22, FOR JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR BUS TERMINALS, PARK AND RIDES, AND OTHER FACILITIES TO EFCO USA, INC. AND MCKENZIE’S CLEANING, INC IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF $18,427,468.20; AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY UP TO $17,691,000.00 FOR A TOTAL MODIFIED CUMULATIVE AMOUNT OF $21,376,494.00 FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC WORKS; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR’S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACT, INCLUDING ANY CANCELLATION OR EXTENSIONS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-8.1 OF THE COUNTY CODE AND IMPLEMENTING ORDER 3-38 (Strategic Planning & Government Operations Cmte)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Gonzalez
Seconder: Milian Orbis
Vote: 5-0

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251767 **Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING AWARD OF CONTRACT NO. EVN0023256, FOR GROUPS 3, 5 AND 6 TO MIAMI QUICK CLEANING, LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF $922,996.00, AND GROUP 2 TO US ECOLOGY TAMPA, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF $5,545,768.00; APPROVING A NON-COMPETITIVE DESIGNATED PURCHASE PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-8.1(B)(3) OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, BY A TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF THE BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT FOR GROUPS 1 AND 4 TO TRIUMVIRATE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF $5,354,717.00, FOR A TOTAL COMBINED AMOUNT OF $11,823,481.00 FOR HAZARDOUS AND NON-HAZARDOUS WASTE SERVICES FOR A FIVE-YEAR TERM FOR MULTIPLE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR’S DESIGNEE TO GIVE NOTICE OF THIS AWARD TO THE RECOMMENDED VENDORS, ISSUE THE APPROPRIATE PURCHASE ORDERS TO GIVE EFFECT TO SAME, AND EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACTS, INCLUDING ANY CANCELLATION OR EXTENSIONS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-8.1 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND IMPLEMENTING ORDER 3-38 (Strategic Procurement)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Gonzalez
Seconder: Milian Orbis
Vote: 5-0

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251768 **Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING AWARD OF CONTRACT NO. EVN0006231, MATTRESSES, LINENS, AND ACCESSORIES, GROUP 5 TO CHESTNUT RIDGE FOAM, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF $4,487,220.00 AND GROUP 2 TO TABB TEXTILE CO., INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF $4,627,695.00 FOR A CUMULATIVE AMOUNT OF $9,114,915.00 FOR A FIVE-YEAR TERM FOR THE COMMUNITY ACTION AND HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND MIAMI-DADE CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION DEPARTMENT; APPROVING REJECTION OF ALL BIDS RECEIVED FOR GROUPS 1, 3, AND 4; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR’S DESIGNEE TO GIVE NOTICE OF THIS AWARD TO THE RECOMMENDED VENDORS, ISSUE THE APPROPRIATE PURCHASE ORDERS TO GIVE EFFECT TO SAME, AND EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACTS, INCLUDING ANY CANCELLATION OR EXTENSIONS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-8.1 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND IMPLEMENTING ORDER 3-38 (Strategic Procurement)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Gonzalez
Seconder: Milian Orbis
Vote: 5-0

4 COUNTY MAYOR

5 COUNTY ATTORNEY

6 CLERK OF THE BOARD

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251695 Report

APPROVAL OF THE CLERK'S SUMMARY OF MINUTES FOR THE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING(S):

•JANUARY 15, 2025
•FEBRUARY 12, 2025
•MARCH 12, 2025
•MAY 14, 2025
•JUNE 11, 2025 (Clerk of the Board)

Approved
Mover: Gonzalez
Seconder: Milian Orbis
Vote: 5-0

7 REPORT(S)

8 ADJOURNMENT

Report: *There being no further business before the APC, the meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.*