

# MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 8(E)(1)

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**TO:** Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** April 21, 2026

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

**SUBJECT:** Resolution retroactively approving and authorizing the County Mayor to accept, receive, and allow the transfer of ownership, possession, and use of donated items from the Florida State Agency for Surplus Property (SASP) to Miami-Dade County, through the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department (MDFR); retroactively approving and authorizing MDFR to pay the administrative fees required to obtain the donated equipment and to pay refurbishment costs in the aggregate amount of \$237,184.34 from Fire District funds; and authorizing the County Mayor to obtain additional donated equipment if such items become available through this program through fiscal year 2030-2031 provided that administrative fees and refurbishment costs do not exceed certain thresholds

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The accompanying resolution was prepared by the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Natalie Milian Orbis.

  
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Geri Bonzon-Keenan  
County Attorney

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# Memorandum



**Date:** April 21, 2026

**To:** Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**From:** Daniella Levine Cava *Daniella Levine Cava*  
Mayor

**Subject:** Resolution Authorizing the County Mayor or County Mayor's Designee to retroactively approve and authorize the Transfer of Ownership of donated items from the Florida State Agency for Surplus Property to Miami-Dade County, through the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department (MDFR)

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## **Summary**

This item seeks retroactive approval and authorization to accept, receive, and allow the transfer of ownership, possession, and use of donated items from the Florida State Agency for Surplus Property (SASP) to Miami-Dade County, through the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department (MDFR). This item further seeks retroactive approval and authorization to pay administrative fees to SASP to obtain the donated items, and to pay any related refurbishment costs deemed necessary to ensure that the donated items are operational. MDFR has received, since 2022, SASP-donated equipment valued at a fair market of greater than \$1,055,000.00 and has incurred \$237,184.34 in administrative (acquisition) and refurbishment expenses associated with such equipment. Fire District funds were utilized for obtaining and refurbishing the equipment to ready it for service. MDFR is further requesting authority to obtain and refurbish additional items from SASP through fiscal year 2030-2031 provided that administrative and refurbishment fees collectively do not exceed \$100,000.00 annually or \$500,000.00 cumulatively over the five-year period. Acquired donated items from SASP are purposefully used to strengthen MDFR daily operations and improve disaster preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation efforts.

## **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) approve the attached resolution retroactively authorizing the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to accept, receive and allow the transfer of ownership, possession, and use of donated items from SASP to MDFR. It is also recommended to retroactively approve and authorize MDFR to pay any administrative fees and refurbishment costs deemed necessary to ensure that the donated equipment is operational using Fire District funds in the amount of \$237,184.34. It is further recommended that the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee be authorized to obtain and refurbish additional donated items if such items become available through said program through fiscal year 2030-2031 provided that administrative and refurbishment fees collectively do not exceed \$100,000.00 annually or \$500,000.00 cumulatively over the five-year period.

## **Scope**

This resolution has countywide impact as the donated items received from SASP may be deployed by MDFR in other jurisdictions as necessary.

## **Delegation of Authority**

The County Mayor or County Mayor's designee is authorized to: (1) retroactively accept, receive and allow the transfer of ownership, possession, and use of donated items from SASP to MDFR; and (2) pay any administrative fees and refurbishment costs deemed necessary to ensure that the donated equipment is operational using Fire District funds in the amount of \$237,184.34. The County Mayor or County Mayor's designee is also authorized to obtain additional donated items from SASP to

MDFR for the following five fiscal years provided that administrative and refurbishment fees collectively do not exceed \$100,000.00 annually or \$500,000.00 cumulatively over the five-year period.

**Fiscal Impact/Funding Source**

Since 2022, MDFR has received donated equipment from SASP with a total estimated value of \$1,055,000.00. Administrative fees in the amount of \$68,334.34 and refurbishment costs in the amount of \$168,850.00 have been paid to obtain and ready such equipment for service, totaling \$237,184.34. These amounts have been paid using Fire District funds. Attached to this memorandum is Exhibit A, detailing a list of items received thus far from SASP.

Administrative fees associated with the equipment acquired through the program are assessed by the SASP depending on the condition of each donated item. Items that are considered “scrap” have an administrative fee capped at no more than 0.25% of the item’s original acquisition cost. Donated items that are considered “salvage” have an administrative fee capped at no more than 0.5% of the item’s original acquisition cost. “Repairable” items are capped at a 1% administrative fee, and “Usable” items are capped at a 2% administrative fee of the original acquisition costs. Items that are “New or Unused” could have an administrative fee of at minimum 2.5% with the possibility of a higher percentage, compared to the original acquisition cost.

All administrative fees paid by MDFR are remitted directly to the State of Florida’s SASP program. These fees are used to fund State personnel responsible for processing requests through the U.S. Department of War (DOW) and the Personal Property Management System (PPMS), as well as completing the required documentation for items awarded to MDFR.

Refurbishment costs are determined by MDFR personnel once the items are received from SASP. Those costs are dependent on repairs that are needed to ensure that the donated equipment is operational.

MDFR intends to use Fire District funds for administrative and refurbishment costs for surplus equipment obtained from SASP.

<b>Department</b>	<b>Allocation*</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Budgeted</b>	<b>MDFR SASP Liaison</b>
MDFR	\$100,000	Fire District / Ad Valorem District Tax	FY25-26 Adopted Budget, Volume 2, Fire Rescue, Page 76	Chief Andy Alvarez
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$100,000</b>			

**Track Record/Monitor**

All donated items received will be tracked and monitored by the MDFR Marine Services Bureau Chief, or other supervisory personnel as designated.

**Background**

The U.S. Department of War disposes of surplus demilitarized equipment, tools, vehicles, and related assets through the PPMS program. SASP has access to these federal surplus items and allocates them to eligible applicants based on demonstrated need. Eligible entities include state and local government agencies, nonprofit organizations, and other qualified applicants.

Program eligibility is determined on a case-by-case basis in accordance with federal guidelines. Applicants must submit a list of requested items along with a justification outlining their operational need. SASP reviews each request, evaluates the necessity and potential usefulness of the items, and assigns donation priority accordingly. The General Services Administration (GSA) allocates property to SASPs to ensure fair distribution, after which the SASP donates the items to approved recipients.

In 2019, MDRF applied to participate in Florida's SASP program as a donation recipient. Using the PPMS, MDRF identifies surplus equipment that can enhance and support emergency response capabilities and operations within Miami-Dade County.

Through this program, MDRF has obtained and currently utilizes Light-Medium Tactical Vehicle LMTVs, which serve as high-axle vehicles during flood responses, king tide events, and post-storm deployments. Additional equipment acquired through the PPMS program, via the SASP, includes aircraft tugs used to support Air Rescue North, Air Rescue South, and the County's helicopter operations.

A rollback truck obtained through the program has been used on multiple occasions to transport equipment, vehicles, and other large items requiring a heavy-duty vehicle with a large bed. Generators received through the program have been retrofitted with Cam-Lock connections to provide temporary emergency power to assisted living facilities and nursing homes experiencing power outages following storm events, allowing continued operations while permanent backup generators are restored. Forklifts received through the program have augmented equipment needed to facilitate the movement of palletized equipment and tools in the Logistics Division and Training Division. The Telehandler received has been used on numerous occasions to move the Lifeguard Towers at Ocean Rescue and at the US&R Training site. The flat Fountaine trailer was used to support and transport a portable Class "A" burn prop that is used by MDRF to train firefighters. The Polaris 4 door Side by Side units that were received are being used as frontline response units at Crandon Park Beach and Haulover Beach by MDRF Ocean Rescue.

Additionally, smaller equipment obtained through the program has been utilized and will continue to be utilized at MDRF-serviced beach locations to support ongoing operational needs.



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Arnold Palmer  
Chief of Public Safety

EXHIBIT A  
FLORIDA STATE AGENCY FOR SURPLUS PROPERTY (SASP)

VIN#	Description of Property	Acquisition Date	Federal Acquisition amount	Fair Market Value	MDFR Administrative Fee	Refurbishment Cost	Administrative Fee and Refurbishment Cost	MDFR Capitalization Cost
P-1018919EFLM	2002 Truck, Cargo LMTV 6X6 Long Bed	11/8/2022	\$170,073.00	\$42,000.00	\$1,700.73	\$14,500.00	\$16,200.73	\$58,200.73
B-1017544BFEM	2002 Truck, Cargo LMTV 6X6 Short Bed	11/8/2022	\$184,333.00	\$42,000.00	\$1,843.33	\$14,500.00	\$16,343.33	\$58,343.33
P-1023013EFCP	2004 Truck, Cargo LMTV "Parts"	11/8/2022	\$170,073.00	\$37,500.00	\$1,700.73	\$0.00	\$1,700.73	\$39,200.73
N/A	Collective Modular Support System (Tent Modules)	9/27/2023	\$390,132.74	\$135,000.00	\$0.00	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$143,000.00
N/A	Collective Modular Support System (Tent Modules)	9/27/2023	\$390,132.74	\$135,000.00	\$0.00	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$143,000.00
N/A	Collective Modular Support System (Tent Modules)	9/27/2023	\$390,132.74	\$135,000.00	\$0.00	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$143,000.00
13N852200M1551764	1990 Fontaine Flatbed AFI-T-1-4040 Trailer	3/20/2024	\$42,562.00	\$20,500.00	\$7,300.00	\$1,000.00	\$8,300.00	\$28,800.00
6000M1H1136R	1991 Skytrack 6K Telehandler	9/11/2024	\$72,370.00	\$48,500.00	\$723.70	\$16,000.00	\$16,723.70	\$65,223.70
A-1019628BFBN	2003 Truck, Cargo LMTV 4X4	10/24/2024	\$170,073.00	\$42,000.00	\$1,700.73	\$14,500.00	\$16,200.73	\$58,200.73
A-1020279BFDN	2003 Truck, Cargo LMTV 4X4	10/17/2024	\$170,073.00	\$42,000.00	\$1,700.73	\$14,500.00	\$16,200.73	\$58,200.73
A-10603BDC	1994 Truck Cargo LMTV 4X4	10/17/2024	\$104,780.00	\$42,000.00	\$1,004.78	\$0.00	\$1,004.78	\$43,004.78
1FDX80C8VA06234	1995 Ford F-800 Flatbed Tow-truck	2/27/2025	\$128,374.00	\$58,000.00	\$37,200.00	\$7,850.00	\$45,050.00	\$103,050.00
S/N 10862	Harlan HTAB 40-Tug ARN-25	3/11/2025	\$24,504.00	\$12,500.00	\$225.04	\$3,500.00	\$3,725.04	\$16,225.04
S/N 10861	Harlan HTAB 40-Tug ARN-24	3/11/2025	\$24,504.00	\$12,500.00	\$225.04	\$3,500.00	\$3,725.04	\$16,225.04
1HTWGAZ146121152	2006 International 7400 5K Gallon Aviation Refuel Truck	3/19/2025	\$162,847.00	\$125,000.00	\$1,628.47	\$12,500.00	\$14,128.47	\$139,128.47
S/N 012546723728	Polaris Ranger	3/13/2025	\$33,038.00	\$14,500.00	\$3,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$22,500.00
S/N 0120546720357	Polaris Ranger	3/13/2025	\$33,038.00	\$14,500.00	\$3,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$22,500.00
S/N 0120546715624	Polaris Ranger	3/13/2025	\$33,038.00	\$14,500.00	\$3,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$22,500.00
D177B206555	Hyster H60XM Forklift, 6K	4/7/2025	\$22,988.00	\$18,000.00	\$229.88	\$6,500.00	\$6,729.88	\$24,729.88
CMF450D-0795-968KF	Clark CMP50SD Forklift, 10K	4/7/2025	\$46,045.00	\$22,000.00	\$450.45	\$6,500.00	\$6,950.45	\$28,950.45
A-1020890BFBN	2003 Truck, Cargo LMTV 4X4	10/23/2024	\$170,073.00	\$42,000.00	\$1,700.73	\$14,500.00	\$16,200.73	\$58,200.73
	<b>Total</b>		<b>\$2,763,111.22</b>	<b>\$1,056,000.00</b>	<b>\$68,334.34</b>	<b>\$168,850.00</b>	<b>\$237,184.34</b>	<b>\$1,292,184.34</b>



**MEMORANDUM**  
(Revised)

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and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** April 21, 2026

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

**SUBJECT:** Agenda Item No. 8(E)(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**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3’s present \_\_\_\_, 2/3 membership \_\_\_\_, 3/5’s \_\_\_\_, unanimous \_\_\_\_, majority plus one \_\_\_\_, CDMP 7 votes (majority of membership) \_\_\_\_, CDMP 2/3 members present but not less than 7 votes (majority of membership) \_\_\_\_, CDMP 9 votes (2/3 membership) \_\_\_\_\_) 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(E)(1)  
4-21-26

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

RESOLUTION RETROACTIVELY APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO ACCEPT, RECEIVE, AND ALLOW THE TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP, POSSESSION, AND USE OF DONATED ITEMS FROM THE FLORIDA STATE AGENCY FOR SURPLUS PROPERTY (SASP) TO MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, THROUGH THE MIAMI-DADE FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT (MDFR); RETROACTIVELY APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING MDFR TO PAY THE ADMINISTRATIVE FEES REQUIRED TO OBTAIN THE DONATED EQUIPMENT AND TO PAY REFURBISHMENT COSTS IN THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF \$237,184.34 FROM FIRE DISTRICT FUNDS; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL DONATED EQUIPMENT IF SUCH ITEMS BECOME AVAILABLE THROUGH THIS PROGRAM THROUGH FISCAL YEAR 2030-2031 PROVIDED THAT ADMINISTRATIVE FEES AND REFURBISHMENT COSTS DO NOT EXCEED CERTAIN THRESHOLDS

**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:

**Section 1.** Incorporates and approves the foregoing recital, as if fully set forth herein.

**Section 2.** Retroactively approves and authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to accept, receive, and allow the transfer of ownership, possession, and use of donated items as detailed in Exhibit A attached to the Mayor's Memorandum from the Florida State Agency for Surplus Property (SASP) to Miami-Dade County through the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department (MDFR).

**Section 3.** Retroactively approves and authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to pay from Fire District funds the administrative fees to SASP to acquire the donated items listed in Exhibit A attached to the Mayor's Memorandum, and the payment of related refurbishment costs deemed necessary to ensure that the donated items are operational, at a total cost not to exceed \$237,184.34.

**Section 4.** Authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to obtain and refurbish additional items from SASP through fiscal year 2030-2031 provided that administrative and refurbishment fees collectively do not exceed \$100,000.00 annually or \$500,000.00 cumulatively over the five-year period.

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:

Anthony Rodriguez, Chairman	
Kionne L. McGhee, Vice Chairman	
Marleine Bastien	Juan Carlos Bermudez
Sen. René García	Oliver G. Gilbert, III
Roberto J. Gonzalez	Keon Hardemon
Danielle Cohen Higgins	Vicki L. Lopez
Natalie Milian Orbis	Raquel A. Regalado
Micky Steinberg	

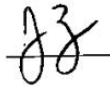
The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 21<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2026. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon 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

JUAN FERNANDEZ-BARQUIN, CLERK

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency.



Javier Zapata