

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 3(A)(1)

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

DATE: October 6, 2026

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution approving the City of
Opa-Locka's renaming of that
portion of Rutland Street from
Opa-Locka Boulevard to
Vermont Street as "Progressive
Firefighters Association Street"

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Marleine Bastien.



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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
- ☐ 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. 3(A)(1)
10-6-26

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CITY OF OPA-LOCKA'S
RENAMING OF THAT PORTION OF RUTLAND STREET
FROM OPA-LOCKA BOULEVARD TO VERMONT STREET
AS "PROGRESSIVE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION STREET"

WHEREAS, on June 24, 2026, the City Commission of the City of Opa-Locka adopted Ordinance No. 2026-09, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference, approving the renaming of Rutland Street from Opa-Locka Boulevard to Vermont Street as "Progressive Firefighters Association Street"; and

WHEREAS, that portion of Rutland Street from Opa-Locka Boulevard to Vermont Street is a city road located in the City of Opa-Locka, and located partially in County Commission District 2 and partially in County Commission District 1,

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

Section 1. Approves the City of Opa-Locka's renaming of that portion of Rutland Street from Opa-Locka Boulevard to Vermont Street as "Progressive Firefighters Association Street".

Section 2. Directs the Clerk of the Board to send certified copies of this resolution to the City Commission, City Manager and City Clerk of the City of Opa-Locka, the United States Postal Service, the Traffic Signals and Signs Division of the Department of Transportation and Public Works, the Development Services Division of the Regulatory and Economic Resources Department, the City of Opa-Locka Police Department, and the Miami-Dade County Fire Rescue Department.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Marleine Bastien. 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:

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 6th day of October, 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.

MSM

Daniel J. Thwaites
Michael J. Mastrucci

1st Reading / Public Hearing: June 10, 2026
2nd Reading / Public Hearing: June 24, 2026
Adopted: June 24, 2026
Effective Date: June 24, 2026
Sponsored By: Mayor Taylor

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-09

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF OPA-LOCKA, FLORIDA, RENAMING RUTLAND STREET FROM OPA-LOCKA BOULEVARD TO VERMONT STREET AS "PROGRESSIVE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION STREET"; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT AND REPEALER; SEVERABILITY; SCRIVENER'S ERRORS; AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Progressive Firefighters Association ("PFA") was established to empower its members to make a positive impact on fire and rescue services within underserved communities while fostering professional development in areas such as fire prevention and safety, social and economic advancement, marketing, and community development; and

WHEREAS, through mentorship, education, programs, initiatives, and access to resources, the organization's mission is to equip individuals and communities with the tools necessary for growth and success, and since its founding in the City of Opa-Locka, the organization has demonstrated a longstanding commitment to leadership, public service, and community engagement; and

WHEREAS, for more than 40 years, the PFA has been located on Rutland Street and has served as a vital community resource, and therefore, the sponsor seeks to designate and rename the segment of Rutland Street extending from Opa-Locka Boulevard to Vermont Street as "Progressive Firefighters Association Street"; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 19, Article III entitled Naming of Public Facilities and Streets, Sections 19-26 through 19-29 pertains to naming of streets whenever there is a proposal to rename an existing public facility or street; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 19-27(b) of the City of Opa-Locka's Code of Ordinances, the City Commission designates itself as the Street Naming Committee; and

WHEREAS, there is no financial impact related to the passage of this Ordinance other than the renaming, signage and event costs that are not expected exceed Two Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00); and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds it in the best interest of the City to rename Rutland Street from Opa-Locka Boulevard to Vermont Street as "Progressive Firefighters Association Street."

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF OPA LOCKA, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. RECITALS ADOPTED.

The recitals to the preamble herein are incorporated by reference.

SECTION 2. AUTHORIZATION.

The City Commission of the City of Opa-Locka hereby approves the renaming of Rutland Street from Opa-Locka Boulevard to Vermont Street as "Progressive Firefighters Association Street" following consideration of all factors required for renaming and further authorizes the renaming and event costs not to exceed Two Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00).

SECTION 3. CONFLICT & REPEALER.

All ordinances, parts of ordinances or code provisions in conflict herewith ordinance are hereby repealed.

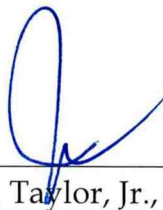
SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY.

If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions of the Code or applications of this Ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable.

SECTION 5. SCRIVENER'S ERRORS. Sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or re-lettered and corrections of typographical errors which do not affect the intent may be authorized by the City Manager, following review by the City Attorney, without the need for public hearing, by filing a corrected copy of same with the City Clerk.

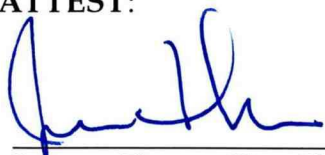
SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall take effect upon the adoption and is subject to the approval of the Governor or Governor's Designee.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 24th day of June, 2026.



John H. Taylor, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:



Joanna Flores, City Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:**



Burnadette Norris-Weeks, P.A.
City Attorney

Moved by: Vice Mayor Kelley

Seconded by: Commissioner Santiago

VOTE:	5-0
Commissioner Bass	YES
Commissioner Santiago	YES
Commissioner Ervin	YES
Vice Mayor Kelley	YES
Mayor Taylor	YES