

## MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(23)

**TO:** Honorable Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners


**DATE:** May 5, 2020

**FROM:** Abigail Price-Williams  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Resolution directing the County  
Mayor to develop a plan to  
deliver food and medications to  
certain persons who have tested  
positive for coronavirus disease  
2019 (COVID-19) and are in  
quarantine, and to submit a  
written report to the Board

*Resolution No. R-435-20*

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor  
Vice Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa.



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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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5-5-20

RESOLUTION NO. R-435-20

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO DELIVER FOOD AND MEDICATIONS TO CERTAIN PERSONS WHO HAVE TESTED POSITIVE FOR CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) AND ARE IN QUARANTINE, AND TO SUBMIT A WRITTEN REPORT TO THE BOARD

**WHEREAS**, on January 30, 2020, the International Health Regulations Emergency Committee of the World Health Organization declared the outbreak of a new coronavirus, known as SARS-CoV-2, which causes an infectious disease named coronavirus disease 2019 ("COVID-19") a "public health emergency of international concern," and then on March 11, 2020, given the alarming levels of spread and the severity of the virus, declared COVID-19 a pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 9, 2020, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order No. 20-52 declaring a state of emergency for the state of Florida as a result of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 12, 2020, Mayor Carlos A. Gimenez declared a state of emergency for Miami-Dade County as a result of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, on a daily basis, the Florida Department of Health is reporting increases in confirmed cases of Florida residents with COVID-19 and in deaths from COVID-19 in Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, COVID-19 has been reported to have more detrimental consequences to the elderly, individuals who are immunocompromised, and people with preexisting medical conditions, such as diabetes, heart disease, hypertension, and lung diseases; and

**WHEREAS**, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, public health officials and the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention strongly suggest that individuals

experiencing specified symptoms take measures to self-isolate or quarantine to combat the person-to-person spread of the virus; and

**WHEREAS**, some individuals who have tested positive for COVID-19 are in self-quarantine at home, which can last for several weeks; and

**WHEREAS**, those in self-quarantine with little or no family support may encounter practical difficulties in safely obtaining the food and medications they need in a manner that does not further risk their health or expose others in the community to the virus; and

**WHEREAS**, in an effort to assist such individuals and to protect the public health, safety, and welfare from unnecessary spread of COVID-19, a coordinated approach should be developed for delivering food and medications to persons who identify themselves as having tested positive for COVID-19 and who meet certain criteria that demonstrates that they are in need of this service while in quarantine; and

**WHEREAS**, in developing the coordinated approach, efforts should be made to collaborate with other service providers such as the Florida Department of Children and Families, which administers the Florida Food Assistance Program, and community-based organizations, so as to avoid duplication of efforts and resources,

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

**Section 1.** Directs the County Mayor or Mayor's designee to develop a plan to deliver food and medications to certain persons who (i) have tested positive for COVID-19, (ii) are in quarantine, (iii) meet specific criteria to demonstrate need, and (iv) opt to participate in the food and medication delivery program.

**Section 2.** Directs the County Mayor or Mayor’s designee to provide a report to this Board within 15 days of the effective date of this resolution and to place the completed report on an agenda of the Board pursuant to Ordinance No. 14-65.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Vice Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa. It was offered by Commissioner **Audrey M. Edmonson** , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Rebeca Sosa** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

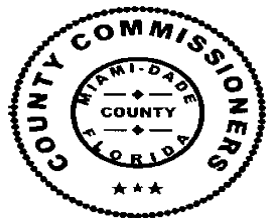
	Audrey M. Edmonson, Chairwoman	aye	
	Rebeca Sosa, Vice Chairwoman	aye	
Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.	absent		Daniella Levine Cava aye
Jose “Pepe” Diaz	aye		Sally A. Heyman aye
Eileen Higgins	aye		Barbara J. Jordan aye
Joe A. Martinez	aye		Jean Monestime aye
Dennis C. Moss	aye		Sen. Javier D. Souto aye
Xavier L. Suarez	aye		

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 5<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020. 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: Melissa Adames  
Deputy Clerk



Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency.

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Leigh C. Kobrinski