

MEMORANDUM

Special Item No. 2

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

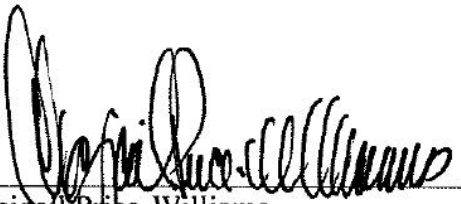
DATE: August 4, 2020

FROM: Abigail Price-Williams
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the County Mayor to prepare monthly reports, commencing within 30 days, on all County expenditures related to coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19); requiring the reports to include, at a minimum, expenditures of the 2020 Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) funds, funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), and all other funds expended on COVID-19 related matters; requiring the report to include expenditures for programs created by this Board and expenditures made in each commission district

Resolution No. R-776-20

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


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County Attorney

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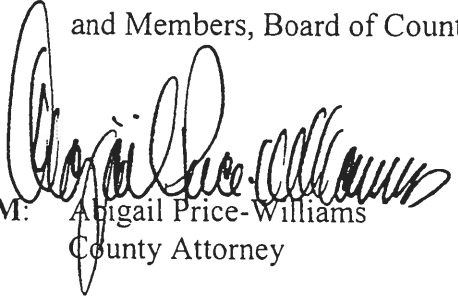


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Please note any items checked.

- ☐ "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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8-4-20

RESOLUTION NO. R-776-20

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO PREPARE MONTHLY REPORTS, COMMENCING WITHIN 30 DAYS, ON ALL COUNTY EXPENDITURES RELATED TO CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19); REQUIRING THE REPORTS TO INCLUDE, AT A MINIMUM, EXPENDITURES OF THE 2020 CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT (CARES ACT) FUNDS, FUNDS FROM THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA), AND ALL OTHER FUNDS EXPENDED ON COVID-19 RELATED MATTERS; REQUIRING THE REPORT TO INCLUDE EXPENDITURES FOR PROGRAMS CREATED BY THIS BOARD AND EXPENDITURES MADE IN EACH COMMISSION DISTRICT

WHEREAS, coronavirus disease 2019 ("COVID-19") is an infectious disease caused by severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2, a novel coronavirus that was first identified in December 2019; and

WHEREAS, the disease has spread globally, and on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization officially 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 entire State of Florida as a result of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, Mayor Carlos A. Gimenez declared a state of emergency for Miami-Dade County as a result of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, these orders have since been extended; and

WHEREAS, as of July 14, 2020, the total number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 worldwide is over 13 million, with more than 3.4 million of those in the United States; and

WHEREAS, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, public health officials and the CDC encouraged “social distancing” to reduce the spread of the virus; and

WHEREAS, to enforce social distancing, Governor DeSantis and Mayor Gimenez have issued executive and emergency orders restricting businesses’ and residents’ activities in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, while these precautions were established to keep people safe, they have a negative financial impact on many County businesses and residents; and

WHEREAS, indeed, more than 44.2 million Americans have filed for unemployment since March 2020; and

WHEREAS, to help blunt the impact of the economic downturn set in motion by the COVID-19 pandemic, the United States Congress passed, and on March 27, 2020 President Donald Trump signed into law, H.R. 748, the “Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act” (the “CARES Act”); and

WHEREAS, the CARES Act is a \$2 trillion stimulus package; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida was allocated \$8.328 billion from the Coronavirus Relief Fund, of which the County received \$474 million; and

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus Relief Fund monies must be used by December 30, 2020, and any residual returned to the federal government; and

WHEREAS, in addition to Coronavirus Relief Fund monies, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and other federal and state agencies have provided funding to for costs related to emergency protective measures conducted as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, this Board has approved legislation providing financial assistance to various individuals, organizations, and small businesses impacted by COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, it is important that the Board advisedly consider all expenditures of funding for COVID-19 related matters to ensure that the funds are allocated strategically and that funds are directed towards the best possible uses; and

WHEREAS, requiring the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to provide monthly reports on all county expenditures related to COVID-19 will assist the Board making well-informed decisions on the expenditure of funds; and

WHEREAS, requiring the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to provide monthly reports on all county expenditures related to COVID-19 will also allow the public to remain informed about the use of CARES Act dollars, and allow municipalities to understand how much of the CARES Act dollars are being expended within their boundaries and for their residents,

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

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein by reference and adopted.

Section 2. This Board directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to prepare monthly reports, commencing within 30 days, on all County expenditures related to COVID-19. The reports shall, at a minimum include expenditures of CARES Act funds, funds from FEMA, and all other funds expended on COVID-19 related matters. The reports shall also include expenditures for all programs created by this Board and expenditures made in each commission district. The reports shall include detailed information, to the extent possible, about how much of the CARES Act funds are being distributed within the boundaries of each municipality and in the unincorporated parts of the County.

Section 3. This Board further directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to provide the report required by section 2 of this resolution to this Board within 30 days of the effective date of this resolution and shall place the completed reports on agendas of the Board pursuant to Ordinance No. 14-65.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Eileen Higgins. It was offered by Commissioner **Eileen Higgins**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Audrey M. Edmonson** 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.	aye
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	aye
Eileen Higgins	aye
Joe A. Martinez	aye
Dennis C. Moss	aye
Xavier L. Suarez	aye
Daniella Levine Cava	aye
Sally A. Heyman	aye
Barbara J. Jordan	aye
Jean Monestime	aye
Sen. Javier D. Souto	aye

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 4th day of August, 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.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shannon D. Summerset-Williams", is written over a horizontal line.

Shannon D. Summerset-Williams