

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(4)

TO: Honorable Vice Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: November 19, 2020

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
Successor County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution establishing a County policy related to the installation and maintenance of automated external defibrillators and stop the bleed kits in County facilities; directing the County Mayor to identify legally available funding for this policy or include funding in the proposed 2021-2022 County Budget and requiring a report

Resolution No. R-1210-20

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Joe A. Martinez and Co-Sponsors Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz and Commissioner Sally A. Heyman.



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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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RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A COUNTY POLICY
RELATED TO THE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE
OF AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS AND STOP
THE BLEED KITS IN COUNTY FACILITIES; DIRECTING
THE COUNTY MAYOR TO IDENTIFY LEGALLY
AVAILABLE FUNDING FOR THIS POLICY OR INCLUDE
FUNDING IN THE PROPOSED 2021-2022 COUNTY BUDGET
AND REQUIRING A REPORT

WHEREAS, according to the United States Occupational Health and Safety Administration there are 220,000 victims of sudden cardiac arrest per year in the United States; and

WHEREAS, cardiac arrest is caused by a life-threatening abnormal heart rhythm that can result from heart attack, respiratory arrest, electrocution, drowning, choking, or trauma, or it can have no known cause; and

WHEREAS, up to 60 percent of these victims might have been saved if automated external defibrillators were immediately available; and

WHEREAS, chances for survival from sudden cardiac arrest diminish 7 to 10 percent for each minute without immediate cardiopulmonary resuscitation or defibrillation, and after 10 minutes, resuscitation rarely succeeds; and

WHEREAS, an automated external defibrillator is an electronic device designed to deliver an electric shock to a victim of sudden cardiac arrest, and ventricular fibrillation may be restored to normal rhythm up to 60 percent of the time if treated promptly with this device; and

WHEREAS, according to the American Heart Association, automated external defibrillators are very accurate and easy to use; and

WHEREAS, training is not required for the use of automated external defibrillators, automated external defibrillators are intended to be used by the general public and most automated external defibrillators use audible voice prompts to guide the user through the process; and

WHEREAS, under Florida's "Good Samaritan Law" any person, including those licensed to practice medicine who gratuitously and in good faith, provides emergency care or treatment to another in an emergency situation is not liable for any civil damages as a result of such aid or treatment; and

WHEREAS, the American Heart Association further recommends that automated external defibrillators be equipped with pediatric attenuated pads, which are necessary to treat children under age 8; and

WHEREAS, stop the bleed kits are designed to provide the user with immediate access to products intended to stop traumatic hemorrhaging; and

WHEREAS, it protects the public health, safety, and welfare if automated external defibrillators and stop the bleed kits were located at County facilities; and

WHEREAS, there are already automated external defibrillators at County aquatic facilities, but not in buildings located at the aquatic facilities; and

WHEREAS, there are also automated external defibrillators and stop the bleed kits at County facilities such as the Stephen P. Clark Government Center, the Children's Courthouse, and the Graham building but they are not present at all facilities; and

WHEREAS, there may be additional County facilities that would benefit from the installation of automated external defibrillators and stop the bleed kits; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to confirm that existing automated external defibrillators and stop the bleed kits at County facilities are in working order and adequately maintained; and

WHEREAS, establishing a County policy that automated external defibrillators and stop the bleed kits are adequately maintained and in working order will protect the public health, safety, and welfare,

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

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are approved and incorporated as if fully set forth herein.

Section 2. A County policy is established that existing automated external defibrillators and stop the bleed kits already installed at County facilities shall be in working order and adequately maintained, including monitoring the adequate charge of batteries and the expiration date for attenuated pads in accordance with all applicable manufacturer specifications and guidelines.

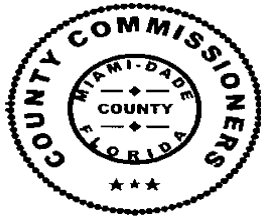
Section 3. The County Mayor shall identify additional County facilities that would benefit from the installation of automated external defibrillators and stop the bleed kits, and install the devices at the identified locations. The County Mayor is directed, to utilize legally available funding to the maximum extent possible from the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget to install additional automated external defibrillators, including pediatric attenuated pads, and stop the bleed kits at the newly identified locations and to repair or replace any automated external defibrillator at County facilities that are not in good working order. If no funding sources are identified, the County Mayor is directed to include an allocation of sufficient funds to install and repair or replace the automated external defibrillators in accordance with this resolution in the proposed Fiscal year 2021-2022 County Budget.

Section 4. The County Mayor is directed, within 45 days, to provide this Board with a written report regarding this directive, including details of the fiscal impact of implementing this resolution, including the ongoing maintenance costs associated with the installation of these devices, and the identified funding sources, or why such funding sources cannot be identified, 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 Commissioner Joe A. Martinez, and the Co-Sponsors are Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz and Commissioner Sally A. Heyman. It was offered by Commissioner **José "Pepe" Diaz**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Sally A. Heyman** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

	Rebeca Sosa, Vice Chairwoman	aye	
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	aye	Sen. René García	aye
Oliver G. Gilbert, III	aye	Keon Hardemon	aye
Sally A. Heyman	aye	Eileen Higgins	aye
Joe A. Martinez	aye	Kionne L. McGhee	aye
Jean Monestime	aye	Raquel A. Regalado	aye
Sen. Javier D. Souto	aye	District 8 - Vacant	vacant

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 19th day of November, 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.

Melanie J. Spencer