

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 8(G)(1)

TO: Honorable Chairman Jose "Pepe" Diaz
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: October 18, 2022

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing the County Mayor to negotiate, develop, and execute a grant agreement with The Miami Foundation, Inc., in an amount of \$1,260,000.00, for the administration, management, and disbursement of funding for environmental education grant programs, for a term ending no later than August 31, 2025; waiving Resolution No. R-130-06; authorizing the County Mayor to exercise all provisions contained therein; and requiring an annual report

Resolution No. R-995-22

The accompanying resolution was prepared by the Office of Management and Budget and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Rebeca Sosa.



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From: Daniella Levine Cava *Daniella Levine Cava*
Mayor

Subject: Authorizing the County Mayor or County Mayor's Designee to Negotiate and Develop a Grant Agreement with The Miami Foundation, Inc. for the Administration, Management, and Disbursement of Funding to be used for its Environmental Education Grant Award Program, in the amount of \$1,260,000.00, for a term ending no later than August 31, 2025; requiring an annual report

SUMMARY

Miami-Dade County (County) seeks to provide a grant to The Miami Foundation, Inc. (The Foundation), to complement The Foundation's existing community grants process, whereby The Foundation provides community-based programming and initiatives for the provision of environmental education programming through local nonprofit grant recipients, providing awards to cover a 2-year funding period.

Funding provided to The Foundation by the County includes \$630,000.00 in FY 2021-22 dollars and an additional \$630,000.00 in FY 2022-23 dollars, for a total of \$1,260,000.00 in funding provided for in the budget of the Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources, Division of Environmental Resources Management (RER-DERM), the Water and Sewer Department (WASD) and the Department of Solid Waste Management (SWM). In prior years, the County has used these funds to run the Environmental Education Grant Program, awarding grants to nonprofit organizations through an annual request for proposal process overseen by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

This item seeks authorization by the Board of County Commissioners (Board) to allocate these funds instead to The Foundation to be used as part of its environmental education grant award program and seeks authorization for the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to negotiate, develop, and execute a grant agreement with The Foundation for this purpose, with a term ending no later than August 31, 2025. In turn, The Foundation will work to amplify these County funds through philanthropic contributions which will help leverage the public dollars invested, and will, with the assistance and input of County staff, provide awards to 501(c)(3) organizations to provide environmental education services to Miami-Dade County residents.

The Foundation will be responsible for the full management, administration, and disbursement of funds, and the direct oversight of the management, administration, compliance, and implementation of the programs and projects of the organizations funded.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve the attached Resolution authorizing the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to negotiate, develop, and execute a grant agreement with The Foundation, allocating a total award of \$1,260,000.00 in funding, and with a grant term ending no later than August 31, 2025, for the administration, management, and disbursement of grant funding to be used for environmental education grant award program.

It is further recommended that the Board authorize the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to exercise the provisions contained in the agreement, including amendments and termination, provided

that such amendments are consistent with the purpose (environmental education grant award program) and term of the agreement.

Waives Resolution No. R-130-06, which requires contracts with non-County parties to be fully negotiated and executed, to provide the County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee with sufficient time to negotiate and execute the agreement described herein.

SCOPE

The impact to Miami-Dade County for the provision of these services is countywide.

DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

The County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee is authorized to: negotiate, develop, and execute a grant agreement with The Foundation for the administration, management, and disbursement of funding for environmental education grant programs, in the amount of \$1,260,000.00, comprised of \$630,000.00 in FY 2021-22 funds and \$630,000.00 of FY 2022-23 funds, subject to certain terms.

Additionally, the County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee is authorized to exercise all provisions set forth therein, including amendments and termination, provided that such amendments do not alter the purpose or term of the agreement.

FISCAL IMPACT/FUNDING SOURCE

The fiscal impact to Miami-Dade County for the provision of these services is \$1,260,000.00 comprised of \$630,000.00 from FY 2021-22 funds and \$630,000.00 of FY2022-23 funds. The FY 2021-22 funding was allocated in the adopted budget as follows: \$430,000.00 from RER-DERM; \$100,000.00 from WASD; and, \$100,000.00 from SWM. The FY 2022-23 funding is being allocated in the proposed FY 2022-23 budget as follows: \$430,000.00 from RER-DERM; \$100,000.00 from WASD; and, \$100,000.00 from SWM.

TRACK RECORD/MONITOR

The Foundation will be responsible for providing administrative program oversight, programmatic data review and invoicing, which are subject to review by Office of Management and Budget Assistant Director, Daniel T. Wall.

BACKGROUND

Miami-Dade County, through the OMB, has been overseeing the Environmental Education Grant Program for the County since 2006-2007 using funding allocated by the Board for community-based organizations that perform environmental education programming for Miami-Dade County residents. The Foundation, through its community grants cycle, provided \$2.5 million in grant funding last year to local non-profits, to complement a variety of funding priority areas, including environmental education programming. The Foundation currently manages over \$350 million in assets, mobilizes donors, non-profits, leaders, and locals to set a bold vision for our community's future and to invest in a stronger, more equitable, more resilient Greater Miami. The Foundation is uniquely qualified to provide environmental education grant services as they have lengthy experience providing similar services in the community as a local funder, and this grant will enable them to augment the environmental services The Foundation already provides in the community.

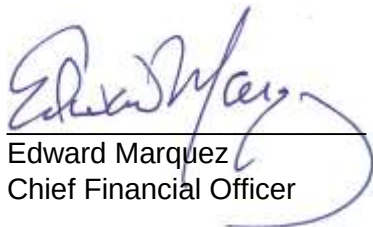
Through this resolution, the County seeks to partner with The Foundation and invest in the community grants cycle for the provision of environmental education services in order to streamline, strengthen, and broaden the inclusivity of environmental grantmaking in Miami-Dade County. By aligning The Foundation’s community grants sustainable environment funding and the County’s Environmental Education Grant Program and Resilient 305 Strategy, The Foundation can collectively serve non-profits and local residents, decrease the resource burden on non-profit organizations, increase engagement of smaller and more diverse organizations, and increase the funding pool for bolder investments in this priority area for our community.

The Foundation is presently fundraising with the goal of providing match funding equal to 50% of the total County grant award over the 2-year period (\$315,000.00 in year one and \$315,000.00 in year two, for a total match of \$630,000.00 over the term of the agreement) that would be dedicated to this partnership program. This past year alone, The Foundation successfully raised \$1 million in matching funding for the other community grants focus areas, and they are committed to pursuing additional matching support for the environmental category.

The agreement with The Foundation will be contingent on the successful negotiation of the grant agreement and will be effective upon execution of the agreement through August 31, 2025. This will allow time for The Foundation to revise their grantmaking process to incorporate the County funding. The initial funding to The Foundation will be issued in two installments, with \$630,000.00 provided for the first year and the additional \$630,000.00 provided for the second year based upon the performance of The Foundation and sub-grantee’s during the first year, and at the discretion of the County.

The proposed funding will be administered and managed by the Foundation, which will receive five percent of the funding for administrative support. A one-time \$15,000 fee for the first year will also be provided to enable the additional work designing and launching this effort. The Foundation will provide ongoing fundraising efforts to grow the program and will provide their donor, proposal, and financial management platforms at no cost to the County.

The Foundation will disburse funding through their existing competitive process for community-based programming and initiatives for the provision of environmental education programming to local non-profit sub-recipients. The Foundation will be responsible for the full management, administration, and disbursement of funds, and the direct oversight of the management, administration, compliance, and implementation of the programs and projects of all funded organizations. Miami-Dade County staff will have input on the grant award criteria to ensure it is used for programs and projects in alignment with the Resilient 305 Strategy. Grant funds issued by the Foundation will be for a two-year period of performance. It is anticipated these sub-awards will be approximately \$50,000.00 per year or less to support project based or program-based services.



Edward Marquez
Chief Financial Officer



MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Jose "Pepe" Diaz
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: October 18, 2022

FROM: 
Gen Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 8(G)(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
- ☐ 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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10-18-22

RESOLUTION NO. _____ R-995-22

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO NEGOTIATE, DEVELOP, AND EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE MIAMI FOUNDATION, INC., IN AN AMOUNT OF \$1,260,000.00, FOR THE ADMINISTRATION, MANAGEMENT, AND DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDING FOR ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION GRANT PROGRAMS, FOR A TERM ENDING NO LATER THAN AUGUST 31, 2025; WAIVING RESOLUTION NO. R-130-06; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN; AND REQUIRING AN ANNUAL REPORT

WHEREAS, this Board wishes 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. Approves the foregoing recital, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. Authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to negotiate, develop, and execute a grant agreement with The Miami Foundation, Inc. ("The Foundation"), in an amount of \$1,260,000.00, for the administration, management, and disbursement of funding for environmental education grant programs, for a term ending no later than August 31, 2025. Further authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to exercise all provisions set forth in the agreement, including termination and amendment, provided that such amendments do not alter the purpose (environmental education grants) or term of the agreement, and subject to review and approval for form and legal sufficiency by the County Attorney's Office.

Section 3. Allocates \$1,260,000.00 to The Foundation over the term of the agreement, comprised of \$630,000.00 in fiscal year 2021-2022 funds and \$630,000.00 in fiscal year 2022-2023 funds.

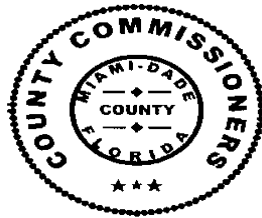
Section 4. Waives the requirements of Resolution No. R-130-06, which requires the underlying contract to be fully negotiated and executed prior to placement on the Board's agenda, in order to provide the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee sufficient time to negotiate the agreement with The Foundation.

Section 5. Directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to provide a written report on an annual basis detailing the status of the grant agreement with The Foundation and the sub-recipients' progress and to place the completed reports on an agenda of the full Board without committee review pursuant to Ordinance No. 14-65.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner **Rebeca Sosa**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Oliver G. Gilbert, III** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

	Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Chairman	aye
	Oliver G. Gilbert, III, Vice-Chairman	aye
Sen. René García	aye	Keon Hardemon aye
Sally A. Heyman	aye	Danielle Cohen Higgins aye
Eileen Higgins	aye	Kionne L. McGhee aye
Jean Monestime	aye	Raquel A. Regalado aye
Rebeca Sosa	aye	Sen. Javier D. Souto aye

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 18th day of October, 2022. 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: Basia Pruna
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

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Leigh C. Kobrinski