

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(9)

TO: Honorable Chairman Oliver G. Gilbert, III
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: October 3, 2023

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the
County Mayor to examine the
feasibility of creating
pickleball court(s) at Amelia
Earhart Park; and provide a
report

Resolution No. R-893-23

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Senator René García.


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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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10-3-23

RESOLUTION NO. _____ R-893-23

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR
COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXAMINE THE
FEASIBILITY OF CREATING PICKLEBALL COURT(S) AT
AMELIA EARHART PARK; AND PROVIDE A REPORT

WHEREAS, this Board is committed to enhancing the quality of life of residents and visitors to the County through the promotion of healthy activities such as playing sports, walking, running, and cycling; and

WHEREAS, pickleball is a paddleball sport that combines elements of badminton, table tennis and tennis; and

WHEREAS, pickleball is played with either two or four players on a court the size of a badminton court; and

WHEREAS, pickleball's popularity has increased markedly in the last decade; and

WHEREAS, pickleball is enjoyed by many age groups; and

WHEREAS, the pickleball community of Miami-Dade has recently requested more pickleball courts throughout the County; and

WHEREAS, Amelia Earhart Park is a Miami-Dade County owned and operated area-wide park located within District 13; and

WHEREAS, Amelia Earhart is comprised of 515 acres and includes green spaces, lakes, bike trails, a disc golf course, soccer fields, volleyball courts, and picnic areas; and

WHEREAS, Amelia Earhart is used by thousands of visitors and would be a good location for a pickleball court; and

WHEREAS, this Board desires to increase the availability of pickleball courts at County-owned and operated parks,

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

Section 1. Adopts the foregoing recitals as if fully set forth herein.

Section 2. Directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to examine the feasibility of creating a dedicated pickleball court or courts at Amelia Earhart Park.

Section 3. Directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to provide a report regarding the directive in section 2 to this Board within 90 days of the effective date of this resolution and to place the completed report on an agenda of this Board without committee review pursuant to rule 5.06(j) of the Board's Rules of Procedure. The report shall include, at minimum, the projected fiscal impact, and potential legally available funds for the design and construction of a pickleball court at Amelia Earhart Park along with a projected timeline for the design and construction of the court(s).

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Senator René García. It was offered by Commissioner **Anthony Rodriguez** , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Danielle Cohen Higgins** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Oliver G. Gilbert, III, Chairman	aye
Anthony Rodríguez, Vice Chairman	aye
Marleine Bastien	aye
Kevin Marino Cabrera	aye
Roberto J. Gonzalez	aye
Danielle Cohen Higgins	aye
Kionne L. McGhee	aye
Micky Steinberg	aye
Juan Carlos Bermudez	aye
Sen. René García	absent
Keon Hardemon	aye
Eileen Higgins	aye
Raquel A. Regalado	aye

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 3rd day of October, 2023. 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: **Basia Pruna**
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "mjs", is written over a horizontal line.

Melanie J. Spencer