

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(9)

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

DATE: September 19, 2023

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution urging the Florida
Legislature to appropriate
funding for the Tropical Heights
Force main extension project at
or around 5450 SW 77th Court,
7853 SW 56th Street, and 7711
SW 56th Street

Resolution No. R-818-23

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Kevin Marino Cabrera.


Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

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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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9-19-23

RESOLUTION NO. _____ R-818-23

RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO
APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE TROPICAL HEIGHTS
FORCE MAIN EXTENSION PROJECT AT OR AROUND 5450
SW 77TH COURT, 7853 SW 56TH STREET, AND 7711 SW
56TH STREET

WHEREAS, the sewer force main extension process, which may require the construction of new infrastructure, can be costly for both public and private entities; and

WHEREAS, in turn, some portions of the County which lack public sanitary sewer systems, including certain areas with commercial development, instead rely on private package plants for wastewater processing and removal; and

WHEREAS, one such area is the Miller Lake, Lakewood Villas, and Lakeview Gardens Condominium complexes (the “Tropical Heights Condominium Communities”), located at or around 5450 SW 77th Court, 7853 SW 56th Street, and 7711 SW 56th Street, respectively; and

WHEREAS, the private package plants servicing the Tropical Heights Condominium Communities have previously fallen out of compliance with various provisions of the Miami-Dade County Code related to wastewater, presenting environmental risks; and

WHEREAS, in the past, wastewater has been loaded onto vehicles and shipped out to other locations instead of being processed at the private package plants; and

WHEREAS, to support residents and promote economic development in Miami-Dade County, this Board wishes to urge the Florida Legislature to appropriate funding to assist the Tropical Heights force main extension project for the Tropical Heights Condominium Communities; and

WHEREAS, the Tropical Heights Condominium Communities are located within the County's Wellfield Protection Area,

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

Section 1. Urges the Florida Legislature to appropriate funding for the Tropical Heights force main extension project at or around 5450 SW 77th Court, 7853 SW 56th Street, and 7711 SW 56th Street.

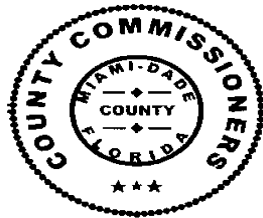
Section 2. Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Governor, the Senate President, the House Speaker, and the Chair and Members of the Miami-Dade State Legislative Delegation.

Section 3. Directs the County's state lobbyists to advocate for the action described in Section 1 above, and authorizes and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to amend the 2024 State Legislative Package to include this item.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Kevin Marino Cabrera. It was offered by Commissioner **Eileen Higgins**, 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	absent		
Marleine Bastien	aye	Juan Carlos Bermudez	aye
Kevin Marino Cabrera	aye	Sen. René García	aye
Roberto J. Gonzalez	aye	Keon Hardemon	aye
Danielle Cohen Higgins	aye	Eileen Higgins	aye
Kionne L. McGhee	aye	Raquel A. Regalado	aye
Micky Steinberg	aye		

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 19th day of September, 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 black ink, appearing to read "CJF", is written over a horizontal line.

Christian J. Fernandez-Andes