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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(24)

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

DATE: December 12, 2023

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution urging the Florida
Legislature to provide increased
funding for stormwater projects
to address flooding

Resolution No. R-1171-23

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



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 _____

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(24)
12-12-23

RESOLUTION NO. _____ R-1171-23

RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO
PROVIDE INCREASED FUNDING FOR STORMWATER
PROJECTS TO ADDRESS FLOODING

WHEREAS, stormwater infrastructure is infrastructure designed to drain water from impervious surfaces after rainfall and mitigate against flooding, while also mitigating against pollution and promoting the seepage of water underground to recharge our drinking water supply; and

WHEREAS, the inadequate management of stormwater could have significant adverse impacts on residents and local businesses due to the financial, economic, and quality-of-life disruptions caused by flooding; and

WHEREAS, recent severe rainfall and flooding events that caused significant damage to private property, including but not limited to the multiple flooding events that took place in South Florida this year, have underscored the critical role that stormwater infrastructure plays not just in Miami-Dade County, but throughout the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, it is therefore imperative that local governments continue to invest in stormwater infrastructure by maintaining or upgrading current infrastructure, as appropriate; and

WHEREAS, by promoting quality of life and helping protect residents' and businesses' financial and economic investments, better functioning stormwater management systems could benefit local communities and the State of Florida at large; and

WHEREAS, through appropriations and grant programs, the Florida Legislature has in the past provided funding to support stormwater projects to address flooding; and

WHEREAS, due to the heightened risk that flooding poses for our community, this Board wishes to urge the Florida Legislature to provide increased funding for stormwater projects to address flooding,

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

Section 1. Urges the Florida Legislature to provide increased funding for stormwater projects to address flooding.

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 County 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 Micky Steinberg. It was offered by Commissioner **Anthony Rodriguez** , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Raquel A. Regalado** 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	absent	Juan Carlos Bermudez	aye
Kevin Marino Cabrera	aye	Sen. René García	aye
Roberto J. Gonzalez	aye	Keon Hardemon	absent
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 12th day of December, 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.

CJW

Christopher J. Wahl