

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 14(A)(2)

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

DATE: May 21, 2024

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution codesignating that
portion of Northeast 61st Street
between Northeast 2nd Avenue
and Northeast 2nd Court as
“Veye-Yo Street”; suspending
Rule 9.02(a) by a two-thirds vote
of the Board members present as
it relates to the public hearing
requirement for this item

Resolution No. R-463-24

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



Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

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(Revised)

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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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5-21-24

RESOLUTION NO. _____ R-463-24

RESOLUTION CODESIGNATING THAT PORTION OF
NORTHEAST 61ST STREET BETWEEN NORTHEAST 2ND
AVENUE AND NORTHEAST 2ND COURT AS “VEYE-YO
STREET”; SUSPENDING RULE 9.02(A) BY A TWO-THIRDS
VOTE OF THE BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT AS IT RELATES
TO THE PUBLIC HEARING REQUIREMENT FOR THIS ITEM

WHEREAS, Veye-yo, Creole for “watch them,” was formed in 1978 by Haitian priest
Gerard Jean-Juste to help those fleeing the brutal dictatorship of Jean-Claude Duvalier; and

WHEREAS, today, Veye-Yo functions as a Miami-Dade County-based civic organization
that serves to empower the Haitian-American community and provides its members a platform
to articulate issues of concern to the community; and

WHEREAS, with a location in the City of Miami’s Little Haiti neighborhood, Veye-Yo is
the headquarters of a Haitian language radio station that covers news about immigration and
politics in Haiti; and

WHEREAS, Veye-Yo also serves as a place where members of the community gather to
discuss and formulate solutions whenever events of political or social importance occur in Haiti;
and

WHEREAS, Haitian Heritage Month is celebrated annually during the month of May to
commemorate the vibrant history, culture, and rich traditions of Haiti and its people; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to honor Veye-Yo’s contributions to the Haitian-American
community and to this County by codesignating that portion of Northeast 61st Street between
Northeast 2nd Avenue and Northeast 2nd Court as “Veye-Yo Street”; and

WHEREAS, that portion that portion of Northeast 61st Street between Northeast 2nd
Avenue and Northeast 2nd Court is a County maintained road located in the City of Miami; and

WHEREAS, this proposed codesignation is in County Commission District 3; and

WHEREAS, Rule 9.02(a) of the Board's Rules of Procedure provides that resolutions regarding proposed naming, renaming or codesignation of Miami-Dade County roads, facilities or property shall be sponsored by the district commissioner where the road, facility or property is located and shall be considered at a public hearing; and

WHEREAS, Rule 7.01(o) of the Board's Rules of Procedure provides that no rule of procedure adopted by this board shall be suspended except by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the Board members present; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to suspend Rule 9.02(a) as it relates to the public hearing requirement for this item by a two-thirds vote of the Board members present,

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

Section 1. By a two-thirds vote of the Board members present, suspends Rule 9.02(a) of the Rules of Procedure of the County Commission as it relates to the public hearing requirement for this item and codesignates that portion of Northeast 61st Street between Northeast 2nd Avenue and Northeast 2nd Court as "Veye-Yo Street".

Section 2. Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the United States Postal Service, the Traffic Signals and Signs Division of the Department of Transportation and Public Works, the Development Services Division of the Regulatory and Economic Resources Department, the Miami-Dade Police Department, the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department, the City of Miami Police Department and the City of Miami Department of Fire Rescue.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Keon Hardemon. It was offered by Commissioner **Eileen Higgins**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Anthony Rodriguez** 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	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	absent	Raquel A. Regalado	aye
Micky Steinberg	aye		

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 21st day of May, 2024. 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.

D.P.C

Dale P. Clarke