

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(10)

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

DATE: July 16, 2024

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution approving the
2025 state legislative
priorities; waiving
requirements of Resolution
No. R-764-13 limiting the
number of state legislative
priorities

Resolution No. R-700-24

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Chairman Oliver G. Gilbert, III.


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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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RESOLUTION NO. _____ R-700-24

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2025 STATE LEGISLATIVE
PRIORITIES; WAIVING REQUIREMENTS OF RESOLUTION
NO. R-764-13 LIMITING THE NUMBER OF STATE
LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that committee meetings leading up to the 2025 session of the Florida Legislature will begin in December of 2024 or January of 2025; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 session is scheduled to begin on March 4, 2025; and

WHEREAS, stakeholders are beginning to develop their priorities for the 2025 session;
and

WHEREAS, on September 17, 2013, this Board approved Resolution No. R-764-13, which directed that the federal and state legislative packages each be presented to the Board in two separate companion items, one consisting of no more than ten priorities for distribution to the Miami-Dade Legislative Delegation and the other to include guiding principles, Board “urging” resolutions enacted to date and departmental items for approval by the Board; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. R-764-13 provided that, upon the priorities being approved and effective including any amendments by the Board, the Chair of the Board, or a County Commissioner designated by the Chair, shall transmit the priorities to the respective federal or state legislative delegation; and

WHEREAS, based on the Board’s 2024 priorities, a proposed set of 2025 state legislative priorities for the Board’s consideration are attached to this resolution and incorporated 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 state legislative priorities for the 2025 session as determined by the Board and waives the requirements of Resolution No. R-764-13 limiting the number of state legislative priorities.

Section 2. Directs the County’s state lobbyists to advocate for the 2025 state legislative priorities.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Chairman Oliver G. Gilbert, III. 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	Juan Carlos Bermudez	absent
Kevin Marino Cabrera	absent	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 16th day of July, 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.

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of the letters "JMM" in a stylized, cursive font, positioned over a horizontal line.

Jess M. McCarty
Michael J. Mastrucci
Javier Zapata

PROPOSED 2025 STATE CRITICAL PRIORITIES

Home Rule and Preemption: *SUPPORT* preservation of local home rule; *OPPOSE* any effort to preempt local authority

SMART Program: *SUPPORT* advancement of funding for Miami-Dade's Strategic Miami Area Rapid Transit Program of premium mass transit corridors (North, Northeast, Beach, and East-West) and ensure that legislation affecting formula funding and match programs favors mass transit solutions

Transportation Infrastructure Project Funding: *SUPPORT* legislation that provides opportunities for increased and alternative revenue sources for transportation infrastructure projects

Affordable and Workforce Housing: *SUPPORT* sustained and increased funding for affordable and workforce housing; *SUPPORT* changes to the Community Workforce Housing Loan Program to allow housing projects targeting households with incomes up to 120 percent of area median income to participate in the Community Workforce Housing Loan Program; *SUPPORT* extension of the Miami-Dade Affordable Housing Surtax Program, currently scheduled to sunset on October 1, 2031

Municipal Water Surcharge: *SUPPORT* legislation that would prohibit municipal water and sewer utilities from imposing a surcharge on customers residing in a municipality where the utility's facilities are located

Transportation Planning Organization: *SUPPORT* the TPO 2025 state legislative priorities

Greater Miami Expressway Authority (GMX): *REVISE* GMX appointment requirements to expand the persons eligible for appointment by the County Commission

New Waste-To-Energy Facility: Appropriate funding for the construction of a new waste-to-energy facility in Miami-Dade County

Clerk/Custodian of Records: *SUPPORT* legislation increasing the fees for documents filed with the Clerk in the capacity of custodian of records

Homeowner assistance to connect sanitary sewers: *SUPPORT* funding to help homeowners with the private property cost of constructing and connecting to sanitary sewer laterals

Septic Systems: *SUPPORT* sustained funding to address failing septic systems and convert compromised septic systems to centralized sewer infrastructure to protect public health and water quality

Biscayne Bay Water Quality Grant Program: *SUPPORT* sustained funds in the grant program to address water quality challenges. Projects may include stormwater management, wastewater, and other projects

Anti-Violence Initiatives: *SUPPORT* matching funds for the Miami-Dade Peace and Prosperity programs to reduce community violence and support communities suffering its disproportionate impacts

Planning Objectives: *OPPOSE* any bill filed that would preempt or prevent local governments from accomplishing planning objectives protected under local home rule authority

Funding of Aviation Capital Projects: *SUPPORT* full funding of Aviation capital projects included in the Florida Department of Transportation's Five-Year Work Program. *OPPOSE* any efforts to reduce or redirect funds in the Work Program or Aviation Grants Program

Beach Erosion Control: *SUPPORT* consistent and dedicated annual funding for statewide beach erosion control

Enhance Florida's commitment to Early Childhood Education: *SUPPORT* expanded funding for the Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) Education Program sufficient to cover the cost of a full-day Pre-Kindergarten Program

Small Wireless Facilities/5G: *REPEAL* state law preemption of local government regulation of small wireless facilities, also referred to as 5G equipment, restore local authority to regulate 5G towers