

MEMORANDUM

Amended
Agenda Item No. 11(A)(2)

TO: Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: February 4, 2025

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution establishing county policy relating to organizations and institutions applying for and/or receiving County grant funds; requiring information on all other funding sources supporting the operations of organizations and institutions applying for and/or receiving County grant funds, including grants to nonprofit and not-for-profit organizations for the provision of human and social services, and to historical, artistic, and cultural institutions for operating expenses

Resolution No. R-134-25

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Senator René García and Co-Sponsor Commissioner Juan Carlos Bermudez.



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 ____, majority plus one ____, 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) ____, 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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2-4-25

RESOLUTION NO. R-134-25

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING COUNTY POLICY RELATING TO ORGANIZATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS APPLYING FOR AND/OR RECEIVING COUNTY GRANT FUNDS; REQUIRING INFORMATION ON ALL OTHER FUNDING SOURCES SUPPORTING THE OPERATIONS OF ORGANIZATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS APPLYING FOR AND/OR RECEIVING COUNTY GRANT FUNDS, INCLUDING GRANTS TO NONPROFIT AND NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE PROVISION OF HUMAN AND SOCIAL SERVICES, AND TO HISTORICAL, ARTISTIC, AND CULTURAL INSTITUTIONS FOR OPERATING EXPENSES

WHEREAS, each year, the County provides millions of dollars in grant funding to nonprofit and not-for-profit organizations providing human and social services to residents in our community; and

WHEREAS, each year, the County also provides millions of dollars to historical, artistic, and cultural institutions in our community to support their operating expenses; and

WHEREAS, certain grant funding, such as the community-based organization grant funding managed by the Office of Management and Budget-Grants Coordination Division, consists of County general funds; and

WHEREAS, other County grant funding used to support historical, artistic and cultural institutions may come from other County funding sources, such as the Convention Development Tax (“CDT”) and/or the Tourist Development Tax (“TDT”); and

WHEREAS, it is uncertain how dependent these organizations and institutions are on County grant funds and if, and to what extent, these organizations and institutions receive financial support from other sources; and

WHEREAS, at the November 12, 2024 meeting of the Housing, Recreation, Culture and Community Development Committee, the committee considered an item, Legistar File No. 241784, that would amend a grant award agreement between the County and the Phillip and Patricia Frost Museum of Science, Inc. (“the Frost Museum”) for the provision of \$45,000,000.00 of CDT bond funds to remove the current provisions prohibiting the Frost Museum from seeking operational subsidies or financial support from the County before the County retires and pays off the CDT debt incurred by the County on behalf of the Frost Museum related to its construction; and

WHEREAS, this item led to a discussion about other recent requests that have been made to the County by nonprofit and not-for-profit organizations, as well as historical, artistic, and cultural institutions, for financial support, and whether or not such organizations and institutions are being supported financially by their local municipalities or other funding sources; and

WHEREAS, this Board wants to ensure that the organizations and institutions being provided with financial support from the County are sustainable and have a broad and diverse base of support; and

WHEREAS, this Board also wants to ensure that the costs of assisting such organizations and institutions are being equally shared across various governmental entities and with the private sector, and that the County is not the sole source of funding,

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

Section 1. The above recitals are incorporated herein by reference and are approved.

Section 2. The Board establishes as county policy that the County should not be the sole funder for organizations and institutions receiving County grant funds, including, but not limited to, nonprofit and not-for-profit organizations seeking funding to provide human and social services, as well as historical, artistic, and cultural institutions seeking operating expenses.

Section 3. It is further county policy, that, going forward, any organization or institution applying for and/or receiving County grant funds must provide the County with a list of all other funding sources supporting the operations of the organizations and institutions, on a recurring basis or at every funding opportunity, as appropriate. Where permitted by funding source(s), organizations and entities with multiple funding sources should be prioritized to receive County grant funds over those with no other funding sources.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Senator René García and the Co-Sponsor is Commissioner Juan Carlos Bermudez. It was offered by Commissioner **Sen. René García** , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Oliver G. Gilbert, III** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

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

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 4th day of February, 2025. 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.

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Leigh C. Kobrinski
Monica Rizo Perez
Sophia Guzzo