

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(17)

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

DATE: March 18, 2025

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution urging the Florida
Legislature to appropriate
funding to support local
government public safety and
security expenses associated with
hosting the 2026 World Cup

Resolution No. R-308-25

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


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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 ____, 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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3-18-25

RESOLUTION NO. R-308-25

RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO
APPROPRIATE FUNDING TO SUPPORT LOCAL
GOVERNMENT PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY
EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH HOSTING THE 2026 WORLD
CUP

WHEREAS, the World Cup is the world's preeminent soccer tournament, taking place every four years amongst teams representing countries from all over the world; and

WHEREAS, on June 16, 2022, Miami was named one of 11 U.S. cities to host World Cup matches in 2026 along with Atlanta, Boston, Dallas, Houston, Kansas City, Los Angeles, New York New Jersey, Philadelphia, San Francisco Bay Area, and Seattle; and

WHEREAS, as part of the 2026 World Cup, seven matches are scheduled to be hosted at Hard Rock Stadium in Miami Gardens between June 15, 2026, and July 18, 2026; and

WHEREAS, given the anticipated influx of visitors for the matches and other public activations, a whole of government approach is underway to provide the necessary federal, state, and local public safety resources to mitigate potential risks associated with such large-scale events; and

WHEREAS, accordingly, financial support from the State of Florida to municipal and county governments is crucial to effectively maintain, coordinate, and provide public safety and security activities throughout the 2026 World Cup; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the coordination required, on March 7, 2025, President Donald J. Trump signed an Executive Order establishing the *White House Task Force on the FIFA World Cup 2026* (Task Force) housed in the Department of Homeland Security; and

WHEREAS, chaired by the President, the creation of the Task Force highlights the Administration's commitment to supporting the coordination of governmental efforts; and

WHEREAS, this Board therefore wishes to urge the Florida Legislature to appropriate funding to Miami-Dade County and other local government entities to address critical public safety and security needs relating to hosting the 2026 World Cup,

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 appropriate funding to Miami-Dade County and other local government entities to address critical public safety and security needs relating to hosting the 2026 World Cup.

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 remaining 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 2025 State Legislative Package to include this item and to include this item as part of the 2026 State Legislative Package when it is presented to the Board.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Oliver G. Gilbert, III. It was offered by Commissioner **Roberto J. Gonzalez** , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Kionne L. McGhee** 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	absent	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 18th day of March, 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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Richard F. Appleton