

Memorandum



Date: May 20, 2025

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

Agenda Item No. 3(B)(1)

From: Daniella Levine Cava *Daniella Levine Cava*
Mayor

Resolution No. R-469-25

Subject: Ratification of Eight Local Agency Program Agreements with the Florida
Department of Transportation

Executive Summary

This item requests that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) ratify eight Local Agency Program (LAP) Agreements, cumulatively valued at \$968,465, with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT). Six of the agreements are Safe Routes to School projects and two are Safety Improvement projects. A LAP Agreement is designed to streamline local project implementation while ensuring that federal and state funds are used in compliance with all relevant regulations. Projects funded under LAP agreements are intended to enhance transportation safety, mobility and connectivity.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board approve the attached resolution ratifying the following eight LAP agreements with FDOT:

FM No.	Name	Value	Execution Date
446297-1-38-01	North Miami Senior High School: Safe Routes to School	\$98,778	1/16/2025
446298-1-38-01	Carol City Middle School: Safe Routes to School	\$147,435	12/12/2024
446299-1-38-01	Ruben Dario Middle School: Safe Routes to School	\$90,274	1/16/2025
446300-1-38-01	Hialeah Senior High School: Safe Routes to School	\$154,125	12/12/2024
446301-1-38-01	North Miami Middle School: Safe Routes to School	\$97,144	1/16/2025
446302-1-38-01	Miami Jackson Senior High School: Safe Routes to School	\$164,475	12/9/2024
449371-1-38-01	N Miami Avenue at N 195 Street: Traffic Circle	\$74,230	5/7/2024
449373-1-38-01	SW 84 Avenue at SW 38 Street: Traffic Circle	\$142,004	5/20/2024

Scope

The LAP Agreements will provide design services for the Safe Routes to School and Safety Improvement projects located within these Commission Districts:

Safe Routes to School Projects:

- North Miami Senior High School: Commission District 2, represented by Commissioner Marleine Bastien.
- Carol City Middle School: Commission District 1, represented by Commissioner Oliver G. Gilbert, III.
- Ruben Dario Middle School: Commission District 10, represented by Commissioner Anthony Rodriguez.
- Hialeah Senior High School: Commission District 13, represented by Commissioner René Garcia.
- North Miami Middle School: Commission District 2, represented by Commissioner Marleine Bastien.
- Miami Jackson Senior High School: Commission District 3, represented by Commissioner Keon Hardemon.

Safety Improvements Projects:

- N Miami Avenue at N 195 Street, Traffic Circle: Commission District 1, represented by Commissioner Oliver G. Gilbert, III.
- SW 84 Avenue at SW 38 Street, Traffic Circle: Commission District 10, represented by Commissioner Anthony Rodriguez.

Delegation of Authority

This item ratifies the action of the County Mayor's designee in executing the LAP Agreements and authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to exercise termination provisions, if any, and any other contractual rights contained therein.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

The total value for the design of improvements under the eight LAP Agreements is \$968,465. Upfront funding to support the projects is provided through the Department of Transportation and Public Works (DTPW) General Fund allocation, which will be reimbursed by FDOT in accordance with the LAP Agreements.

Track Record/Monitor

Dalila Fernandez, P.E., School Section Head, DTPW will monitor the design phase of the Safe Routes to School projects, and Yanek Fernandez, P.E., Highway Division, DTPW will monitor the design phase of the safety improvements projects.

Background

These agreements provide the County with Safe Routes to School Program funds and Safety Improvements project funds from FDOT to design safety-related infrastructure improvements.

Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Projects: The program was authorized in August 2005 by Section 1404 of the Federal Transportation Act. The program provides Federal-aid highway

funds to State Departments of Transportation to make it safer and easier for school children to walk or bicycle to and from school.

The Miami-Dade County Public Schools (MDCPS) submitted applications for schools located in the County to FDOT for consideration within the SRTS Program. Factors used to select the schools include proximity to traffic accidents involving juvenile pedestrians, the potential for attracting new walk trips, and geographic distribution. Since MDCPS is not a LAP-certified agency, it partnered with DTPW in order to obtain and take advantage of available federal funds. DTPW shall oversee the design of the projects and upon completion submit invoices to FDOT's District Six LAP Administrator for approval and reimbursement.

Safety Improvements Projects: The Miami-Dade Transportation Planning Organization, through the services of a consultant, conducted a safety analysis. Intersections were prioritized for evaluation due to existing patterns of angle crashes. The study concluded that a traffic circle was the best alternative for the intersections given existing conditions and evaluated factors. No balloting was necessary for these improvements as they were generated as a safety measure. Incidental construction activities include but are not limited to, roadway reconstruction, installation of ADA compliant sidewalks and ramps, pedestrian refuge islands, curb and gutter, lighting at the intersection, localized drainage, milling and resurfacing, signage, and pavement markings.



Jimmy Morales
Chief Operating Officer



MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

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

DATE: May 20, 2025

FROM: 
Glen Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 3(B)(1)

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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RESOLUTION NO. R-469-25

RESOLUTION RATIFYING EIGHT LOCAL AGENCY PROGRAM (LAP) AGREEMENTS, SPECIFICALLY FM NOS: 446297-1-38-01; 446298-1-38-01; 446299-1-38-01; 446300-1-38-01; 446301-1-38-01; 446302-1-38-01; 449371-1-38-01; AND 449373-1-38-01 (THE "LAP AGREEMENTS"), BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ACCEPT A TOTAL OF \$968,465.00 TO FUND CERTAIN SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL AND SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECTS; FURTHER RATIFYING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE'S EXECUTION OF THE EIGHT LAP AGREEMENTS; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE TERMINATION PROVISIONS, IF ANY, AND ANY OTHER CONTRACTUAL RIGHTS CONTAINED THEREIN FOR AND ON BEHALF OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, AND TO EXECUTE ANY TIME EXTENSIONS AND TO APPLY FOR, RECEIVE, AND EXPEND ADDITIONAL FUNDS SHOULD THEY BECOME AVAILABLE THROUGH THE LAP PROGRAM, SO LONG AS NO ADDITIONAL COUNTY MATCHING FUNDS ARE REQUIRED

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference,

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

Section 1. Ratifies eight Local Agency Program (LAP) Agreements, specifically FM Nos: 446297-1-38-01; 446298-1-38-01; 446299-1-38-01; 446300-1-38-01; 446301-1-38-01; 446302-1-38-01; 449371-1-38-01; and 449373-1-38-01 (the "LAP Agreements"), between Miami-Dade County and the Florida Department of Transportation to accept a total of \$968,465.00 to fund certain Safe Routes to School and Safety Improvements projects.

Section 2. Ratifies the County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee’s execution of the eight LAP Agreements. The County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee is further authorized to exercise termination provisions, if any, of the LAP Agreements and any other contractual rights contained therein for and on behalf of Miami-Dade County. The LAP Agreements are on file with the Work Program Office of the Department of Transportation and Public Works and available upon request.

Section 3. Further authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee to execute any time extensions and to apply for, receive, and expend additional funds should they become available through the LAP Program, so long as no additional County matching funds are required. The County staff is authorized to furnish such additional information as FDOT may require in connection with the LAP Agreements.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner **Raquel A. Regalado** , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Micky Steinberg** 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
Sen. René García	absent	Oliver G. Gilbert, III	aye
Roberto J. Gonzalez	aye	Keon Hardemon	absent
Danielle Cohen Higgins	aye	Eileen Higgins	aye
Natalie Milian Orbis	aye	Raquel A. Regalado	aye
Micky Steinberg	aye		

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 20th day of May, 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.

Bruce Libhaber