

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(22)

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

DATE: October 9, 2025

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the County Mayor to (1) analyze the County's existing first-and-last mile transit services and municipal circulator routes, with a focus on interconnectivity, defined herein as the coordination and alignment of transit services to allow for seamless transfers and access across County and municipal systems; (2) incorporate into future interlocal agreements with municipalities related to transit service, or into amendments to any such current County interlocal agreements to the extent legally feasible, any necessary changes to effectuate recommended efficiencies; (3) incorporate into any future County contracts for the provision of first-and-last mile transit services, or amendments to any such current County contracts to the extent legally feasible, any necessary provisions to ensure that such services interconnect with existing public transit services, including municipal transit services and the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority's Tri-Rail system; (4) negotiate with the municipalities that receive Charter County Transportation Surtax ("Surtax") funds from the County and incorporate into an existing or new interlocal agreement with such municipalities a requirement that the municipality shall submit to the County Mayor documentation demonstrating coordination with adjacent municipalities and the County regarding first-and-last mile services; and (5) provide reports

Resolution No. R-992-25

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Raquel A. Regalado.



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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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10-9-25

RESOLUTION NO. R-992-25

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO (1) ANALYZE THE COUNTY'S EXISTING FIRST-AND-LAST MILE TRANSIT SERVICES AND MUNICIPAL CIRCULATOR ROUTES, WITH A FOCUS ON INTERCONNECTIVITY, DEFINED HEREIN AS THE COORDINATION AND ALIGNMENT OF TRANSIT SERVICES TO ALLOW FOR SEAMLESS TRANSFERS AND ACCESS ACROSS COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL SYSTEMS; (2) INCORPORATE INTO FUTURE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS WITH MUNICIPALITIES RELATED TO TRANSIT SERVICE, OR INTO AMENDMENTS TO ANY SUCH CURRENT COUNTY INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS TO THE EXTENT LEGALLY FEASIBLE, ANY NECESSARY CHANGES TO EFFECTUATE RECOMMENDED EFFICIENCIES; (3) INCORPORATE INTO ANY FUTURE COUNTY CONTRACTS FOR THE PROVISION OF FIRST-AND-LAST MILE TRANSIT SERVICES, OR AMENDMENTS TO ANY SUCH CURRENT COUNTY CONTRACTS TO THE EXTENT LEGALLY FEASIBLE, ANY NECESSARY PROVISIONS TO ENSURE THAT SUCH SERVICES INTERCONNECT WITH EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSIT SERVICES, INCLUDING MUNICIPAL TRANSIT SERVICES AND THE SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY'S TRI-RAIL SYSTEM; (4) NEGOTIATE WITH THE MUNICIPALITIES THAT RECEIVE CHARTER COUNTY TRANSPORTATION SURTAX ("SURTAX") FUNDS FROM THE COUNTY AND INCORPORATE INTO AN EXISTING OR NEW INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH SUCH MUNICIPALITIES A REQUIREMENT THAT THE MUNICIPALITY SHALL SUBMIT TO THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE DOCUMENTATION DEMONSTRATING COORDINATION WITH ADJACENT MUNICIPALITIES AND THE COUNTY REGARDING FIRST-AND-LAST MILE SERVICES; AND (5) PROVIDE REPORTS

WHEREAS, the first and final connection for transit, often referred to as the "first-and-last mile," plays a pivotal role in the success of transit systems; and

WHEREAS, even though it represents a small portion of the entire journey, it greatly influences commuters' willingness to use public transportation; and

WHEREAS, walking, bicycling, using municipal circulators and micromobility services, are some of the most used first-and-last mile alternatives to driving a personal vehicle to and from a transit facility; and

WHEREAS, municipal circulator service that connects to County transit facilities may also provide a first-and-last mile option for County transit patrons; and

WHEREAS, section 31-102 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida (the "Code") defines circulator service as "the provision of fixed route or semi-fixed route transportation service where at least 70 percent of the route is within one municipality"; and

WHEREAS, section 31-102 of the Code authorizes municipalities to operate circulator service when authorized by an interlocal agreement with the County which has been approved by this Board; and

WHEREAS, municipal circulator service should complement and enhance, not duplicate County provided transit services and should provide that much needed first-and-last mile service; and

WHEREAS, on July 6, 2023, this Board adopted Resolution No. R-651-23 which directed the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to analyze, in coordination and collaboration with the Citizens' Independent Transportation Trust and the Miami-Dade Transportation Planning Organization, all existing municipal circulator routes and make recommendations to maximize efficiency, including but not limited to any changes in routes, and to study the feasibility of more efficiently servicing the areas covered by those routes; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. R-651-23 further directed the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to incorporate into future interlocal agreements with municipalities related to transit circulator service any necessary changes to effectuate the recommended efficiencies; and

WHEREAS, an analysis of the County's currently provided first-and-last mile transit services and municipal circulator routes, with a focus on interconnectivity between existing County and municipal public transit services and the provision of first-and-last mile options, would facilitate greater efficiencies by reducing duplicative routes and ensuring that the public has sufficient viable first-and-last mile options; and

WHEREAS, ensuring that changes to first-and-last mile services maintain equitable access for transit-dependent, low-income, elderly, and disabled residents is a vital policy objective; and

WHEREAS, collaboration with municipalities is essential to ensure that changes to circulator routes and first-and-last mile services are strategically aligned, not duplicative, operationally feasible, and reflect local transit needs; and

WHEREAS, coordinated first-and-last mile transit services among municipalities, with Miami-Dade County, and with the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority's Tri-Rail system are essential to achieving a seamless, efficient, and equitable public transportation system; and

WHEREAS, the County provides municipalities with Charter County Transportation Surtax ("Surtax") funds and also enters into interlocal agreements to support municipal circulator and microtransit services; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of this Board that municipalities operating microtransit or circulator services coordinate such services with adjacent municipalities and the County to reduce duplication, improve interconnectivity, and enhance first-and-last mile options; and

WHEREAS, this Board now seeks to build on and implement the findings of Resolution No. R-651-23 by directing further action to enhance interconnectivity, reduce duplicative services, and incorporate such efficiencies into future interlocal agreements and transit service contracts,

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

Section 1. Approves the foregoing recitals and incorporates them into this resolution.

Section 2. Directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to analyze the County's existing first-and-last mile transit services and municipal circulator routes, with a focus on interconnectivity, defined herein as the coordination and alignment of transit services to allow for seamless transfers and access across County and municipal systems. The analysis shall include recommendations to maximize efficiency, including: (a) the consolidation of duplicative services, defined as substantial overlap in route geography or service hours between different publicly funded transit services; and (b) the enhancement of first-and-last mile transit options. The County Mayor or County Mayor's designee shall conduct this analysis in consultation with affected municipalities to ensure that local perspectives and needs are considered prior to the development of recommended efficiencies.

Section 3. Directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to incorporate into future interlocal agreements with municipalities related to transit service, or into amendments to any such current County interlocal agreements to the extent legally feasible, any necessary changes to effectuate the recommended efficiencies from the directive in section 2 above.

Section 4. Further directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to incorporate into any future County contracts for the provision of first-and-last mile transit services, or amendments to any such current County contracts to the extent legally feasible, any necessary provisions to ensure that such services interconnect with existing public transit services, including municipal transit services and the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority's Tri-Rail system.

Section 5. Further directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to prepare a written report regarding the directives in sections 2, 3, and 4 above within 90 days of the effective date of this resolution and to place the completed report on an agenda of this Board without committee review pursuant to rule 5.06(j) of the Board's Rules of Procedure. The written report shall include (a) an impact assessment identifying any potential disproportionate impacts of the proposed changes and if any, what mitigating remedies are being implemented; (b) a geographic service access map before and after any recommended consolidation or route adjustment; and (c) strategies to ensure continued access for communities with limited transportation alternatives.

Section 6. The County Mayor or County Mayor's designee is further directed to negotiate with the municipalities that receive Charter County Transportation Surtax ("Surtax") funds from the County and incorporate into an existing or new interlocal agreement with the municipalities a requirement that the municipality shall submit to the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee documentation demonstrating coordination with adjacent municipalities and the County regarding first-and-last mile services. This documentation shall include, where applicable, amended or new interlocal agreements memorializing such coordination. Within six months of the effective date of this resolution, the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee shall review the submissions for compliance with this section and provide the Board with a report identifying: (a)

those municipalities that have complied with the provisions of this section; (b) any municipalities that have not demonstrated coordination as described herein; and (c) any related interlocal agreement(s) requiring Board review. The County Mayor or County Mayor's designee shall place the completed report on an agenda of this Board without committee review pursuant to rule 5.06(j) of the Board's Rules of Procedure.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Raquel A. Regalado. It was offered by Commissioner **Raquel A. Regalado**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Marleine Bastien** 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	aye	Oliver G. Gilbert, III	aye
Roberto J. Gonzalez	aye	Keon Hardemon	aye
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 9th day of October, 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.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "Annery Pulgar Alfonso", written over a horizontal line.

Annery Pulgar Alfonso