

MEMORANDUM

Amended
Agenda Item No. 11(A)(4)

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

DATE: October 9, 2025

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution allocating
\$100,000.00 from the Fiscal
Year 2024-2025 District 13
Designated Project Program
("District Funds") to be used
to install and maintain aesthetic
lighting on the Palmetto
Expressway underpass at NW
103rd Street and at NW 122nd
Street ("Project"); directing the
County Mayor to (1) negotiate
and finalize agreements with
the Florida Department of
Transportation and any other
necessary local government
entity for the Project, subject
to legally available funding;
and (2) provide status reports

Resolution No. R-974-25

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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MEMORANDUM (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	Amended
Veto _____		Agenda Item No. 11(A)(4)
Override _____		10-9-25

RESOLUTION NO. **R-974-25**

RESOLUTION ALLOCATING \$100,000.00 FROM THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 DISTRICT 13 DESIGNATED PROJECT PROGRAM (“DISTRICT FUNDS”) TO BE USED TO INSTALL AND MAINTAIN AESTHETIC LIGHTING ON THE PALMETTO EXPRESSWAY UNDERPASS AT NW 103RD STREET AND AT NW 122ND STREET (“PROJECT”); DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR’S DESIGNEE TO (1) NEGOTIATE AND FINALIZE AGREEMENTS WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND ANY OTHER NECESSARY LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENTITY FOR THE PROJECT, SUBJECT TO LEGALLY AVAILABLE FUNDING; AND (2) PROVIDE STATUS REPORTS

WHEREAS, Florida’s beauty is a combination of the natural and built environment and has been credited with attracting millions to visit, invest, live, and work here; and

WHEREAS, transportation facilities are the largest, most visited, and most visible land use in Florida, and sometimes, the largest public spaces in some communities; and

WHEREAS, quality transportation design should not diminish the visual quality of a place and the experience of being there; and

WHEREAS, a Community Aesthetic Feature (CAF) is an enhancement installed within the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) right-of-way to represent or reflect the surrounding community’s identity, culture, and values and may also enhance the sense of place through which a highway passes; and

WHEREAS, a CAF placed within FDOT right-of-way or attached to an FDOT structure or facility are designed, maintained, and paid for by a local governmental agency and must be approved by FDOT; and

WHEREAS, a Community Aesthetic Feature Agreement must be executed by the local governmental entity and FDOT prior to any construction or installation within FDOT's right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, lighting has been installed on the Palmetto Expressway and the State Road 836 interchange which has enhanced the aesthetics of that transportation facility; and

WHEREAS, this Board desires to engage with FDOT and any other applicable local government for the installation of aesthetic lighting on the Palmetto Expressway underpass at NW 103rd Street and at NW 122nd Street; and

WHEREAS, the cost of installing the aesthetic lighting on the Palmetto Expressway underpass at NW 103rd Street and at NW 122nd Street is estimated to be \$60,000.00,

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

Section 1. Adopts the foregoing recitals as if fully set forth herein.

Section 2. Allocates \$100,000.00 from the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 District 13 Designated Project Program ("District Funds") to be used to install and maintain aesthetic lighting on the Palmetto Expressway underpass at NW 103rd Street and at NW 122nd Street (the "Project").

Section 3. Directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to negotiate and finalize a Community Aesthetic Feature Agreement, or other appropriate agreement, with the Florida Department of Transportation and any other necessary local government entity for the Project, subject to legally available funding. Further, to the extent that the District Funds are insufficient to fund the Project, the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee is directed to coordinate and work with the District 13 Commissioner to identify additional legally available District 13 funds to fully fund the Project.

Section 4. If the agreements referenced in section 3 above are not placed on an agenda of this Board within 90 days of the effective date of this resolution, the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee is further directed to prepare a status report regarding the directive in sections 3 above every 30 days thereafter until such time as the agreements referenced in section 3 above are placed on an agenda of this Board, and to place any such completed reports 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 Senator René García and the Co-Sponsor is Commissioner Juan Carlos Bermudez. It was offered by **Sen. René García** , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Eileen Higgins** 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	absent
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 black ink, appearing to be "Annery Pulgar Alfonso", written over a horizontal line.

Annery Pulgar Alfonso