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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(10)

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

DATE: July 21, 2026

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the County Mayor to eliminate obsolete telephone lines and related equipment; to develop and implement a plan to phase out County-funded landline services that are no longer operationally necessary; to identify and sell or otherwise dispose of unused or surplus desk telephones and related equipment; and to provide a report to the Board regarding the same

Resolution No. R-677-26

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Natalie Milian Orbis.



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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**
- _____ **Requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3’s present ____, 2/3 membership ____, 3/5’s ____, unanimous ____, majority plus one ____, CDMP 7 votes (majority of membership) ____, CDMP 2/3 members present but not less than 7 votes (majority of membership) ____, CDMP 9 votes (2/3 membership) ____) to approve**
- _____ **Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required**

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(10)
7-21-26

RESOLUTION NO. R-677-26

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO ELIMINATE OBSOLETE TELEPHONE LINES AND RELATED EQUIPMENT; TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A PLAN TO PHASE OUT COUNTY-FUNDED LANDLINE SERVICES THAT ARE NO LONGER OPERATIONALLY NECESSARY; TO IDENTIFY AND SELL OR OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF UNUSED OR SURPLUS DESK TELEPHONES AND RELATED EQUIPMENT; AND TO PROVIDE A REPORT TO THE BOARD REGARDING THE SAME

WHEREAS, many County departments have transitioned to modern communication systems such as mobile devices, reducing reliance on traditional landline telephone infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, numerous County workspaces continue to contain dedicated landline telephone equipment and associated service lines that go unused and are unnecessary for daily County operations; and

WHEREAS, maintaining such landline services results in recurring contract costs, maintenance expenses, and equipment replacement costs; and

WHEREAS, eliminating obsolete landline telephone infrastructure can provide financial savings, improve operational efficiency, and streamline workplace technology; and

WHEREAS, unused desk telephones and telecommunications equipment may constitute surplus property that can be sold or otherwise disposed of in accordance with applicable County procedures,

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

Section 1. The Board directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to conduct a countywide assessment of existing landline telephone services, desk telephones, and related equipment currently assigned to County workspaces, including but not limited to cubicles and offices.

Section 2. The Board further directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to develop and implement a phased plan to (i) eliminate landline telephone services that are no longer operationally necessary; (ii) dispose of or otherwise remove unused or redundant desk telephones and telecommunications equipment in accordance with County procedures; and (iii) discontinue or renegotiate, to the extent possible, related service contracts to reduce or eliminate unnecessary County expenditures.

Section 3. The Board further directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to identify any unused, redundant, or obsolete desk telephones and telecommunications equipment as surplus property, as appropriate, and to take all necessary steps to sell or otherwise dispose of such property in accordance with applicable County policies and procedures.

Section 4. The County Mayor or County Mayor's designee is directed to provide a written report to this Board within 90 days of the effective date of this Resolution, with such report to include (i) the results of the countywide assessment; (ii) the proposed implementation plan; (iii) estimated annual and long term cost savings; and (iv) an inventory of surplus equipment identified for sale or disposal. The County Mayor or County Mayor's designee shall place the completed report on an agenda of the full 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 Natalie Milian Orbis. It was offered by Commissioner **Vicki L. Lopez**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Marleine Bastein** 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	absent
Danielle Cohen Higgins	aye	Vicki L. Lopez	aye
Natalie Milian Orbis	aye	Raquel A. Regalado	aye
Micky Steinberg	aye		

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 21st day of July, 2026. 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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