



MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 14(A) (9)

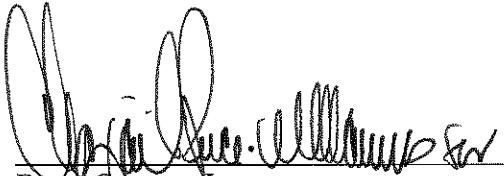
TO: Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: October 18, 2011

FROM: R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the County
Mayor to solicit contracts to
provide the County state and
federal lobbying services

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Co-Prime Sponsors Chairman Joe A. Martinez.



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County Attorney

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(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
- Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
- No committee review
- Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's ____, 3/5's ____, unanimous____) to approve
- Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

Approved _____ Mayor

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Veto _____

10-18-11

Override _____

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR
MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO SOLICIT CONTRACTS TO
PROVIDE THE COUNTY STATE AND FEDERAL LOBBYING
SERVICES

WHEREAS, the County is experiencing a severe economic crisis; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the crisis, County government has been forced to lay off employees and is faced with the possibility of having to lay off others; and

WHEREAS, in order to minimize the impact of the budgetary crisis the County constantly seeks to reduce the cost of running County government; and

WHEREAS, one matter under the direct purview of the Board of County Commissioners is the cost of intergovernmental operations; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to reduce the cost to the County of state and federal lobbying contracts; and

WHEREAS, the Chairman of this Board by memorandum dated October 7, 2011 requested that the Mayor advertise the state lobbying contract under the Mayor's delegated authority during the pendency of this resolution,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor or Mayor's designee is hereby directed to advertise a competitive solicitation for the procurement of state lobbying contracts not later than the effective date of this resolution. The competitive solicitation shall allow for this Board to rank and select the highest qualified firms in its sole discretion. This Board hereby waives the requirements of Section 2-8.5 relating to local preference. The Board

hereby designates the following persons to serve in the evaluation committee for the Request for Qualifications: a non-voting Chair to be assigned by the Mayor or Mayor's designee, Joe Rasco, Jose Abreu, Juan Kuryla, Diana Ragbeer and Penelope Townsley as voting members, and Bill Johnson as alternate. To implement the designation set forth in this resolution the Board waives the requirements of Implementing Order 3-34 relating to the formation and performance of selection committees. The Mayor or Mayor's designee is directed to report the evaluation committee's recommendation to this Board, together with a proposed form of agreement to be awarded to the firms ultimately selected by the Board, not later than December 6, 2011. The Mayor or Mayor's designee is further directed to extend the current state lobbying contracts on a month-to-month basis as necessary for the County to enter into successor contracts as provided in this resolution. In the event that prior to the effective date of this resolution the Mayor has advertised a competitive solicitation that gives effect to the intent of this resolution, this Board hereby ratifies the competitive solicitation. With respect to the federal lobbying contracts, the Mayor or Mayor's designee is directed to advertise a competitive process in accordance with the guidance set forth in this resolution with sufficient time for this Board to consider its award prior to the expiration of the County's existing contracts.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Chairman Joe A. Martinez. It was offered by Commissioner _____, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

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| Joe A. Martinez, Chairman | |
| Audrey M. Edmonson, Vice Chairwoman | |
| Bruno A. Barreiro | Lynda Bell |
| Esteban L. Bovo, Jr. | Jose "Pepe" Diaz |
| Sally A. Heyman | Barbara J. Jordan |
| Jean Monestime | Dennis C. Moss |
| Rebeca Sosa | Sen. Javier D. Souto |
| Xavier L. Suarez | |

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 18th day of October, 2011. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency. Hey

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