

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(22)


TO: Honorable Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: April 8, 2014

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

SUBJECT: Resolution supporting the
Southeast Florida Mayors'
Tri-County State Legislative
Compact; urging the Florida
Legislature to enact legislation
and fund the appropriations set
forth in the Compact

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa.



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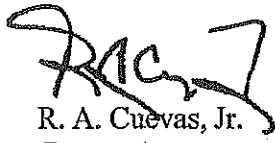


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Please note any items checked.

- ☐ "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 Mayor'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
Veto _____
Override _____

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4-8-14

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE SOUTHEAST FLORIDA
MAYORS' TRI-COUNTY STATE LEGISLATIVE COMPACT;
URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO ENACT
LEGISLATION AND FUND THE APPROPRIATIONS SET
FORTH IN THE COMPACT**

WHEREAS, Broward, Miami-Dade and Palm Beach Counties are three Home Rule Charter Counties (the "Compact Counties") which together constitute the Tri-County Area of Southeast Florida and share in common a strong quality of life deeply rooted in the area's vigorous economy, environmental resources of global significance, and rich cultural heritage; and

WHEREAS, the Compact Counties total more than five and a half million residents and are similarly impacted by legislation under consideration by the Florida Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the Mayors of Broward, Miami-Dade and Palm Beach Counties recently met in an effort to coordinate efforts for the 2014 state legislative session, arriving at four issue areas that the three counties could work together in achieving as set forth in the Southeast Florida Tri-County State Legislative Compact, which is attached and incorporated by reference:

1. Regional transportation;
2. Economic development;
3. Natural resources; and
4. Preserving Home Rule and opposing preemption and unfunded mandates; and

WHEREAS, a united vision for the Tri-County Area coupled with coordinated action will best serve the citizens of the Southeast Florida region; and

WHEREAS, this Board desires to support the Southeast Florida Tri-County State Legislative Compact and would urge the Florida Legislature to enact legislation and fund the appropriations set forth in the Compact,

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

Section 1. Supports the Southeast Florida Mayor's Tri-County State Legislative Compact.

Section 2. Urges the Florida Legislature to enact the legislation and fund the appropriations set forth in the Southeast Florida Mayor's Tri-County State Legislative Compact.

Section 3. Directs the County's state lobbyists to advocate for the issues identified in the Compact, and authorizes and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to amend Miami-Dade County's 2014 State Legislative Package to include the issues identified in the Compact.

Section 4. Directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs and the County's state contract lobbyists to coordinate efforts with their counterparts in Broward and Palm Beach Counties in pursuing the Southeast Florida Mayor's Tri-County State Legislative Compact.

Section 5. Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the members of the Governor, Senate President, House Speaker, the Chair and Members of the Miami-Dade County State Legislative Delegation and the Mayors of Broward and Palm Beach Counties.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa. 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:

Rebeca Sosa, Chairwoman

Lynda Bell, Vice Chair

Bruno A. Barreiro

Jose "Pepe" Diaz

Sally A. Heyman

Jean Monestime

Sen. Javier D. Souto

Juan C. Zapata

Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.

Audrey M. Edmonson

Barbara J. Jordan

Dennis C. Moss

Xavier L. Suarez

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 8th day of April, 2014. 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.

for JMM

Jess M. McCarty



**SOUTHEAST FLORIDA MAYORS' TRI-COUNTY
2014 STATE LEGISLATIVE COMPACT**

WHEREAS, Broward, Miami-Dade, and Palm Beach Counties, three Home Rule Charter counties (the "Compact Counties"), which together constitute the Tri-County Area of Southeast Florida, share in common a strong quality of life deeply rooted in the area's vigorous economy, environmental resources of global significance, and rich cultural heritage; and

WHEREAS, the Compact Counties and their respective populations, totaling more than five and a half million residents, are similarly impacted by legislation enacted by the Florida Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the Compact Counties desire to support state legislation which fosters efficient mobility, economic development, and environmental protection and restoration; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature, the Governor and executive branch agencies may offer positive initiatives for the tri-county area, and the Compact Counties wish to partner with the state to realize the enactment and reasonable implementation of such initiatives in a manner that enhances economic opportunity and the quality of life for all the tri-county area's residents; and

WHEREAS, at times, the Florida Legislature, the Governor and executive branch agencies may undertake initiatives detrimental to the area's residents or the counties' exercise of power to protect the health, safety and welfare of the area's residents, and the Compact Counties desire to work with the state to shape those initiatives consistent with the vision contemplated through this compact; and

WHEREAS, on Friday, February 14, 2014, the Mayors of the Compact Counties met to discuss common legislative initiatives, interests and issues; and

WHEREAS, the Compact Counties agree that by working together they are able to leverage greater advocacy for legislation that supports the counties' goal to tirelessly serve their residents; and

WHEREAS, a united vision for the tri-county area, coupled with coordinated and collective action, will best serve the citizens of the region; **NOW THEREFORE**,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE THREE COUNTIES OF THE TRI-COUNTY AREA OF SOUTHEAST FLORIDA (the "Compact Counties"), that each county shall work in close collaboration with the other counties who are parties to this Compact to:

SECTION 1: Regional Transportation. Support a regional vision for transportation, heightened traffic efficiency, improved public transit, smooth flow of traffic on roads and highways, that;

- 1) Supports revenue fair share through legislative and DOT action that keeps 100% of managed lane revenue collected in South Florida in the area for local transportation projects;



- 2) Supports passenger rail (e.g., All Aboard Florida along the Florida East Coast Railway corridor ("FEC corridor") linking the Tri-County Area and Orlando); supports funding of quiet zones along the FEC corridor; and
- 3) Supports increased Funding for transit, including funding that would allow the development of a Beach Corridor Transit Connection in downtown Miami.

SECTION 2: Economic Development. Enhance the economic climate of South Florida through:

- 1) **Film and Television Incentives** - Support legislation and appropriations that provide for additional tax credits for film and television production and for the expansion of the Florida Film and Television Incentive Program over at least the next five years;
- 2) **Reauthorization of Enterprise Zones** - Support reauthorization of the Enterprise Zones Program in Florida to continue the incentive program that contributes to job creation in some of our most disadvantaged areas and that will currently sunset at the end of 2015; and
- 3) **Homelessness Resources** - Support the creation of enhanced funding sources to help provide services and rapid re-housing to the growing number of homeless children, families, and individuals.

SECTION 3: Natural Resources.

- 1) **Coastal Flooding** - Support initiatives that would prioritize funding for coastal flooding in South Florida, including initiatives by the Southeast Regional Climate Change Compact.
- 2) **Beach Renourishment** - Support appropriations for Beach Renourishment that are directed to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Beach Renourishment program;
- 3) **Water Projects** - Support legislation and appropriations that enhances the development of alternative water supply sources and directs financial resources to qualified local water projects.
- 4) **Everglades Funding** - Support continued funding for the complete implementation of the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan as fundamental to Everglades Restoration.

SECTION 4: Home Rule, Preemption, Unfunded Mandates and Cost Shifts. Oppose any bills that would adversely affect or preempt local Home Rule; Oppose additional unfunded mandates and cost shifts.



Adopted by each Board of County Commissioners and signed by the Mayor thereof on each date reflected below:

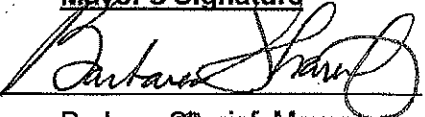
County

Date

Mayor's Signature

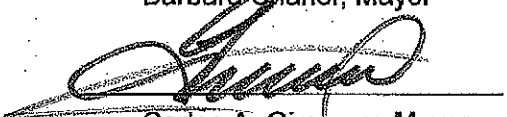
Broward County:

03/13/2014


Barbara Sharief, Mayor

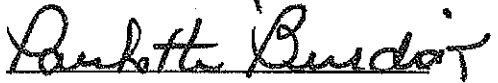
Miami-Dade County:

3/13/2014


Carlos A. Gimenez, Mayor

Palm Beach County:

3/13/2014


Priscilla A. Taylor, Mayor