

# MEETING OF FEBRUARY 2, 1999

(Meeting convened at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:55 a.m.)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Led by Deputy Vice Mayor Wally Elfers and Commissioners Margaret Bates and Lee Mirsky of the City of Lauderhill.

CALL TO ORDER

## CONSENT AGENDA

## BOARD APPOINTMENTS

1. MOTION TO REAPPOINT Carlos A. Rodriguez to serve on the Drug Related Nuisance Abatement Board. (Comm. Rodstrom)

**ACTION: (A-255) Approved.**

## PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

## OFFICE OF TRANSPORTATION

## ENGINEERING DIVISION

2. MOTION TO ADOPT Resolution 1999-136 for highway improvement project for Blount Road from Copans Road to Sample Road, Project No.'s 5199 and 5201, accepting and adopting official right-of-way map confirming right-of-way parcels required for the highway improvement project; and authorizing staff to continue negotiations and the County Attorney to proceed with condemnation.

**ACTION: (A-255) Approved.**

3. MOTION TO APPROVE agreement between Broward County and the City of Oakland Park for funding the construction cost of an outfall line along NE 6th Avenue, from Oakland Park Boulevard to the North Fork, Middle River (accommodating storm water flows generated by areas located within City limits), and authorize the Chair and Clerk to execute same.

*ACTION: (A-255) Deferred for further staff review at the request of the County Administrator.*

4. MOTION TO ADOPT Resolution 1999-137 accepting a warranty deed executed by Chancellor of Deerfield Beach, Inc., donating right-of-way for a bus shelter on Hillsboro Boulevard, 80 feet west of Deer Creek Boulevard, in Section 3, Township 48 South, Range 42 East.

## **ACTION: (A-255) Approved.**

5. MOTION TO APPROVE agreement for trafficways beautification between Broward County and City of Fort Lauderdale for landscape improvements to Cypress Creek Road from North Andrews Avenue Extension to NE 7th Avenue, at no cost to the County; and authorize the Chair and Clerk to execute same.

*ACTION: (A-255) Deferred for further staff review at the request of the County Administrator.*

## **STREETS AND HIGHWAYS DIVISION**

6. MOTION TO ADOPT budget Resolution 1999-138 transferring funds within Streets and Highways' Capital Outlay Fund for Streets and Highways Division in the amount of \$55,000 for emulsified asphalt to be applied to various roads in Sunshine Ranches, Unincorporated Broward County.

## **ACTION: (A-255) Approved.**

### **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

## **ACCOUNTING DIVISION**

7. MOTION TO APPROVE business travel for County employees in accordance with Administrative Order 105.

## **ACTION: (A-255) Approved.**

## **COUNTY RECORDS DIVISION**

8. MOTION TO APPROVE minutes of 10:00 a.m. Board of County Commission meeting of November 24, 1998.

## **ACTION: (A-255) Approved.**

## **PURCHASING DIVISION**

For Community Services Department

9. MOTION TO APPROVE agreement between Broward County and Post, Buckley, Schuh & Jernigan, Inc. in the amount of \$325,000 for hazard vulnerability and risk assessment planning services, from date of execution through December 31, 2000, and authorize the Chair and Clerk to execute same. (Funded with existing Emergency Management grants)

## **ACTION: (A-255) Approved as amended.**

For Public Works Department

10. MOTION TO APPROVE agreement between Broward County and Zelch and McMahon Architects, for professional services to produce design drawings and specifications for the renovation of the existing Medical Examiner's building located at 5301 SW 31st Avenue, Dania Beach, Florida, in the amount of \$81,815 and a contract time of 225 calendar days, and authorize the Chair and Clerk to execute same.

## **ACTION: (A-255) Approved.**

11. MOTION TO APPROVE fixed price procurement of Hydraulic Excavator Truck Mounted 52,000 lb. gross vehicle weight rating (6x6) [six wheel drive] from The Gradall Co., in the amount of \$262,872.25, (State of Florida Contract No. 760-840- 590) for the Streets and Highways Division.

## **ACTION: (A-255) Approved.**

12. A. MOTION TO APPROVE transfer of funds by Resolution 1999-139 within the Engineering Capital Project Fund (315) in the amount of \$109,000 into the NE 62nd Street Project (No. 5030) to cover cost of Amendment No. 7 to Craig A. Smith & Associates of Florida, Inc. agreement for Consultant Services regarding said roadway improvement project. These funds are available from the Engineering Capital Project reserves for future outlay.

## **ACTION: (A-255) Approved.**

B. MOTION TO APPROVE Seventh Amendment to Agreement between Broward County and Craig A. Smith & Associates of Florida, Inc. for Consultant Services for Improvements to NE 62nd Street (Cypress Creek Road) from NE 7th Avenue to NE 18th Avenue in the amount of \$109,714 changing the total contract amount from \$847,632.84, to \$957,346.84, with an increase in contract time of 132 calendar days from 1,151 calendar days to 1,283 calendar days, and authorize the Chair and Clerk to execute same. (BCED Project No. 5030)

## **ACTION: (A-255) Approved.**

## **RISK MANAGEMENT DIVISION**

13. MOTION TO AUTHORIZE full and final settlement of Claim No. JKG/060997LAPA in the amount of \$31,055.16.

## **ACTION: (A-255) Approved.**

## **HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

## **ALCOHOL & DRUG ABUSE SERVICES DIVISION**

14. MOTION TO ADOPT unanticipated revenue Resolution 1999-140 within the Grant Fund for Alcohol and Drug Abuse Services Division in the amount of \$11,436 for replacement equipment.

**ACTION: (A-255) Approved.**

## **HEALTH CARE MANAGEMENT DIVISION**

15. MOTION TO APPROVE Amendment No. 2 between Broward County, the North Broward Hospital District, (NBHD) and the South Broward Hospital District, (SBHD) from the date of execution through February 14, 1999 in the amount of \$902,741 for the purpose of extending the contract period while the County and the Districts finalize negotiating the terms of the new agreement and so that services to clients will not be ceased, and authorize the Chair and Clerk to execute same.

**ACTION: (A-255) Approved.**

## **COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

### **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIVISION**

16. MOTION TO APPROVE modification number two to the Agreement between Broward County and the State of Florida Department of Community Affairs for a \$50,000 Flood Mitigation Assistance Program grant to develop a model flood mitigation plan as part of the countywide local mitigation strategy. The modification to the agreement allows for a time extension for completion of the agreement until March 31, 1999 without any changes in the contract amount, and authorize the Chair and Clerk to execute same.

**ACTION: (A-255) Approved.**

## **LIBRARIES DIVISION**

17. A. MOTION TO APPROVE grant agreement between Broward County and the Florida Department of State, Division of Library and Information Services, in the amount of \$450,000 for the construction of the African-American Research Library and Cultural Center, for a period of 270 days commencing on the date the grant agreement is fully executed, and authorize the Chair and Clerk to execute same. No County match is required.

**ACTION: (A-255) Approved.**

B. MOTION TO ADOPT unanticipated revenue Resolution 1999-141 within the General Capital Outlay Fund (301) in the amount of \$450,000 for the construction of the African-American Research Library

and Cultural Center.

**ACTION: (A-255) Approved.**

## **PARKS AND RECREATION DIVISION**

18. MOTION TO ADOPT Resolution 1999-142 of the Board of County Commissioners of Broward County, Florida authorizing the acceptance of a special warranty deed from Arvida/JMB Partners to the County; providing for the conveyance of a 39.61 acre property known as Parcel A Portion of Tract 32 and 35, Plat of Sectors 8, 9, and 10 (proposed plat); in compliance with a platting requirement of the Weston Development Order, said property to be later conveyed by the County to the City of Weston to be developed and operated by the City as a park; authorizing recordation of the deed in the public records of Broward County, Florida; providing for severability; and providing for an effective date.

**ACTION: (A-255) Approved.**

## **PORT EVERGLADES DEPARTMENT**

19. MOTION TO APPROVE renewal of Port Everglades Taxi/Limo/Bus Service Business Permit between Broward County, Florida, and Citi Limit Transportation & Tours, Inc., effective January 1, 1999 through December 31, 1999, and authorize the Chair and Clerk to execute same.

**ACTION: (A-255) Approved.**

20. MOTION TO APPROVE Port Everglades Taxi/Limo/Bus Service Business Permits between Broward County, Florida and T. Martin Smith, Inc. d/b/a Polo Limousine; and Vacation Source, Inc. d/b/a Transtours, respectively, in accordance with Chapter 32 of the Broward County Administrative Code, effective from the date of approval, with an expiration date of December 31, 1999, and authorize the Chair and Clerk to execute same.

**ACTION: (A-255) Approved.**

## **COUNTY ATTORNEY**

21. MOTION TO APPROVE payment of fourth interim assessment in the amount of \$27,200 for Broward County's share of the shallow source removal and deep zone testing remedial activities at the Florida Petroleum Superfund Site, located in Davie, Florida, to be conducted under an Administrative Order on Consent between the Florida Petroleum Reprocessors Superfund Site PRP Group and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under the five-tier structure which has been adopted by the PRP Group.

**ACTION: (A-255) Approved.**

# REQUEST TO SET FOR PUBLIC HEARING

22. MOTION TO ADOPT Resolution 1999-143 directing the County Administrator to publish notice of public hearing to be held Tuesday, February 23, 1999 at 2:00 p.m. in Room 422 of the Governmental Center to vacate and abandon a utility easement, lying and being in Broward County, Florida and located at 15601 SW 41st Street in the Town of Davie. Petitioner: BMS Davie, Ltd. (Winingham & Fradley, Inc. - Agent) 3-V-99.

**ACTION: (A-255) Approved.**

23. MOTION TO ADOPT Resolution 1999-144 directing the County Administrator to publish notice of public hearing to be held on Tuesday, February 23, 1999 at 2:00 p.m. in Room 422 of the Governmental Center to consider adoption of a proposed amendment to the 1989 Broward County Comprehensive Plan which would alter the land use designation of the Silver Lakes Florida Quality Development in the City of Miramar.

**ACTION: (A-255) Approved.**

24. MOTION TO ADOPT Resolution 1999-145 directing the County Administrator to publish notice of public hearing to be held on Tuesday, February 23, 1999 at 2:00 p.m. in Room 422 of the Governmental Center to consider enactment of a proposed ordinance, the title of which is as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, RELATING TO APPOINTMENTS TO BROWARD COUNTY BOARDS, AUTHORITIES, AND AGENCIES; AMENDING SECTION 1-233(f) OF THE BROWARD COUNTY CODE TO EXEMPT MEMBERS OF THE BROWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FROM AUTOMATIC REMOVAL AS A MEMBER OF A BOARD, AUTHORITY, OR AGENCY DUE TO THREE (3) CONSECUTIVE ABSENCES FROM MEETINGS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN CODE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Sponsored by the Board of County Commissioners)

**ACTION: (A-255) Approved.**

25. MOTION TO ADOPT Resolution 1999-146 directing the County Administrator to publish notice of public hearing to be held on Tuesday, February 23, 1999 at 2:00 p.m. in Room 422 of the Governmental Center to consider enactment of a proposed ordinance, the title of which is as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 18, ARTICLE VII, IN THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF BROWARD COUNTY; AMENDING THE PAY TELEPHONE COMMISSIONS TRUST FUND; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN CODE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Sponsored by the Board of County Commissioners)

***ACTION: (A-255) Approved. Suggested change to Trust Fund Ordinance requested by the Commission Auditor.***

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

26. County Administrator Roger Desjarlais announced that the first 37 residents from the Homeless Tent City in Fort Lauderdale were transported to the new Homeless Assistance Center, without any problems. The first of several tents were removed on Monday.

***ACTION: (A-331) No action necessary.***

### **QUASI-JUDICIAL HEARING**

Please be advised that the following items on the Commission's agenda are quasi-judicial in nature. If you wish to object or comment upon these items, please indicate the item number you would like to address when the announcement regarding the quasi-judicial item is made. All witnesses who will testify on any quasi-judicial item will be sworn. Participants who are members of the general public need not be sworn and will not be subject to cross examination if they are not sworn. The Commission shall not assign unsworn testimony the same weight or credibility as sworn testimony in its deliberations.

## **DEPARTMENT OF STRATEGIC PLANNING**

### **& GROWTH MANAGEMENT**

### **DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT DIVISION**

27. DISCUSSION: of plat entitled "McNab Marketplace" - District 3, (061-MP-97).

***ACTION: (A-352) Deferred to February 16, 1999 at the applicant's request.***

28. DISCUSSION: of plat entitled "Heron Bay Northwest" - District 3, (054-MP-98).

***ACTION: (A-412) Approved the plat subject to staff's recommendations as outlined in the Development Review Report.***

29. DISCUSSION: of placement of a note on a pre-1979 plat - "Springs Park, Lot 2, Block E" - District 3, (903-MP-98).

***ACTION: (A-776) Approved the plat subject to staff's recommendations as outlined in the Development Review Report.***

30. DELEGATION: Roland P. Dove regarding request to amend the note on the Madigan Plat (029-MP-85).

***ACTION: (A-801) Approved subject to staff's recommendations.***

31. DELEGATION: Joe Handley regarding request to amend the note on the Lady Elizabeth Plat (002-MP-91).

***ACTION: (A-818) Approved subject to staff's recommendations.***

32. DELEGATION: Joe Handley regarding request to amend the note on the Nova Plat (056-MP-90).

***ACTION: (A-832) Approved subject to staff's recommendations as amended to approval based on a letter from the Broward County Planning Council.***

33. DELEGATION: Bonnie Miskel regarding request to amend the note on the Country Lakes Section 3 Plat (073-MP-89). (Deferred from January 19, 1999)

***ACTION: (A-839) Deferred to February 16, 1999 at the applicant's request.***

34. DELEGATION: Bonnie Miskel regarding request to amend the note on the Country Lakes Section 3 North Plat (200-MP-89). (Deferred from January 19, 1999)

***ACTION: (A-842) Deferred to February 16, 1999 at the applicant's request.***

35. DELEGATION: Dennis Mele regarding request to amend the note on the Islands of Pembroke Pines Plat (038-MP-85).

***ACTION: (A-845) Approved subject to staff's recommendations.***

36. DELEGATION: Jeff S. Hodapp regarding request to revise the note on the Big Sky North Residential Plat (010-MP-98). (Deferred from January 19, 1999)

***ACTION: (A-859) Deferred to February 9, 1999 at the request of Commissioner Parrish.***

37. DELEGATION: Bryan Alexander regarding request to amend the note on the University Park at Davie Plat (116-MP-86).

***ACTION: (A-879) Approved subject to staff's recommendations.***

38. DELEGATION: Peter Colussy regarding request to amend the non-vehicular access line on the 196 Pines Plaza Plat (124-MP-90). (Deferred from December 15, 1998)

***ACTION: (A-893) Approved subject to staff's recommendations.***

39. DELEGATION: Daniel A. Fee regarding request to waive requirement to pay or secure road impact fees within four months for the Country Market Place Plat (062-MP-97).

***ACTION: (A-910) Deferred to February 16, 1999 at the applicant's request.***

# **END OF QUASI-JUDICIAL HEARING**

## **PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

### **REAL PROPERTY SECTION**

40. MOTION TO ADOPT Resolution accepting business lease between Broward County and the Graves Museum of Archaeology and Natural History, Inc. for 6,400 square foot to provide a library in Dania Beach at \$15 per square foot; \$8,000 monthly for three years effective October 1, 1998 through September 30, 2001 with one renewal option of two years at \$16 per square foot; \$8,533.33, monthly; and authorize the Chair and Clerk to execute same.

*ACTION: (A-255) Deferred for further staff review at the request of the County Administrator.*

### **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

## **ACCOUNTING DIVISION**

41. MOTION TO APPROVE travel for County employees on the attached list, in accordance with Administrative Order 105.

*ACTION: (A-915) Approved as amended per staff's addendum.*

## **HUMAN RESOURCES DIVISION**

42. MOTION TO APPROVE First Amendment to the Agreement with HIP Health Plan of Florida, Inc. and Allianz Life Insurance Company of North America for a one-year period beginning January 1, 1999, and authorize the Chair and the Clerk to execute the same. (Deferred from January 26, 1999, Item 10)

*ACTION: (A-255) Deferred for further staff review at the request of the County Administrator.*

43. A. MOTION TO APPROVE Letters of Understanding between the County and unions representing seven of the County's ten employee bargaining units providing a one-time net payment of \$150 per employee in resolution of impact bargaining demands over the loss of one insurance carrier and premium increases.

*ACTION: (A-255) Deferred for further staff review at the request of the County Administrator.*

B. MOTION TO APPROVE extending to unrepresented employees the same payment provided above under the same conditions as provided to employees represented by the affected unions. (Deferred from January 26, 1999, Item 51)

*ACTION: (A-255) Deferred for further staff review at the request of the County Administrator.*

# HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

44. MOTION TO APPROVE salary range reallocation for the position of Division Director, Fire Rescue Division, from E5000, \$60,555-\$99,309 to E6000, \$66,611- \$109,241.00, BPN number 00071, and authorize the Chair and Clerk to execute same.

**ACTION: (A-924) Approved.**

## OFFICE OF BUDGET SERVICES

45. A. DISCUSSION of staff report requested by the Board summarizing amount of grants received by the County, efforts to streamline the pursuit and application of grants; and approach to increasing grant funding in the future.

**ACTION: (A-931) Approved.**

B. MOTION TO APPROVE third amendment with Langton Associates, Inc. for consultant services for grant administration and technical assistance for \$80,000.

*ACTION: (A-931) Approved as corrected.*

## REQUEST TO SET FOR PUBLIC HEARING

46. A. MOTION TO WAIVE, by a majority plus one vote, the public hearing after 5:00 p.m. for a rezoning ordinance as required by Section 125.66(4), Florida Statutes.

*ACTION: (A-989) Approved holding the first of the two public hearing at 5:05 p.m.*

B. MOTION TO ADOPT Resolution 1999-147, as amended, setting two Public Hearings on Tuesday, February 23, 1999 at 2:00 p.m. and Tuesday, March 9, 1999 at 2:00 p.m. to enact an ordinance changing the Zoning District of certain lands within the Unincorporated Area of Broward County, Florida.

This is required by Section 125.66(4), Florida Statutes. In order to schedule the Public Hearing at 2:00 p.m., the Board of County Commissioners must approve this proposed resolution by a majority plus one vote. The February 23, 1999 and March 9, 1999 Public Hearings are to be Quasi-Judicial Public Hearings.

REZONING PETITION 17-Z-98

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, CHANGING THE ZONING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES BY REZONING A PORTION OF SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 50 SOUTH, RANGE 41 EAST, BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, CONTAINING FIVE HUNDRED FIFTEEN (515) ACRES, MORE OR LESS, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT "1"; FROM A-3, AGRICULTURAL-UTILITY DISTRICT; E-1, AGRICULTURAL ESTATE DISTRICT; R-4B, PLANNED APARTMENT

DISTRICT; AND S-2, OPEN SPACE DISTRICT; TO PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT ("P.D.D.") PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 39 OF THE BROWARD COUNTY ZONING CODE, ARTICLE L255I; PROVIDING FOR LIMITATIONS, CONDITIONS, AND QUALIFICATIONS; PROVIDING THAT THE MASTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR PINE ISLAND RIDGE WHICH IS ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT "2" IS INCORPORATED INTO THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING THAT ALL DEVELOPMENT SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE APPROVED MASTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR PINE ISLAND RIDGE AND SUBJECT TO THE LIMITATIONS, CONDITIONS, AND QUALIFICATIONS SET FORTH IN THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING MINOR CHANGE AND DEVIATIONS TO THE MASTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENT OF THE ZONING DISTRICT MAPS; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL REZONING ORDINANCES AND ZONING RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING THAT THIS REZONING SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED TO CREATE A RIGHT TO DEVELOPMENT THAT FAILS TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF OTHER LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Sponsored by the Code and Zoning Enforcement Division)

***ACTION: (A-989) Approved as amended directing that the February 23, 1999 public hearing be held at 5:05 p.m. and the March 9, 1999 public hearing be held at 2:00 p.m.***

## **COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**

47. DISCUSSION: Commission summer meeting schedule for 1999.

***ACTION: (A-1287) The Board approved July 20, 27, August 3, and 10, 1999 as its summer recess.***

## **SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA**

### **COUNTY COMMISSION**

48. MOTION TO FILE Town of Davie proclamation supporting Swim Central. (Commissioner Lieberman)

***ACTION: (A-255) Approved.***

49. MOTION TO FILE City of Lauderdale Lakes Resolution No. 99-001 dated January 12, 1999 entitled: (Commissioner Lieberman)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERDALE LAKES ENDORSING THE \$139,900,000.00 BROWARD COUNTY GENERAL BOND ISSUE TO BE PLACED ON THE MARCH 1999 BALLOT; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR INSTRUCTION TO CITY CLERK; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

***ACTION: (A-255) Approved.***

50. DISCUSSION: Upcoming straw ballot on governance issues. (Commissioner Cowan)

***ACTION: (A-1333) Since the ballot has already been printed, the electors will be informed it is a non-binding vote. The Town Meetings will continue as scheduled.***

## **GOOD AND WELFARE**

51. EMPLOYEE SERVICE RECOGNITION: County Administrator Roger Desjarlais presented the following county employees with service pins and certificates in recognition of their years of county service:

### **TWENTY YEARS**

#### **NAME DIVISION/DEPARTMENT**

John J. Badalamenti DNRP Water Resource

Emma C. Fletcher Equipment Management/Vehicle Mngt

Shirley James Library - Hollywood

Denver R. Pearson Mass Transit Transp. Ravenswood

Eleanor C. Tash Human Resources

Luana Tringali County Attorney

### **TWENTY-FIVE YEARS**

Linda S. Carter Bureau Children & Family/Social Services

Richard J. Danza Mass Transit Maintenance Ravenswood

Ivan Debogovich EOD Maintenance Activity I

Betty J. Turner Alcohol/Drug Abuse Detox

### **THIRTY YEARS**

Barbara J. Chapman-Thomas Revenue Collection Tag Agency/Ft. Laud.

Stephen Cohen Mass Transit Transp. Ravenswood

***ACTION: (A-90) The employees accepted their certificates and were congratulated by the Board for their years of service.***

## **NON AGENDA**

52. DISCUSSION: Commissioner Rodstrom referenced items 42 and 43 which were deferred on this day's agenda, commenting on the economic consequence of not giving the employees the option of having Humana or HIP.

***ACTION: (A-1655) The Board requested the County Administrator and staff to review all the other options including bringing back Humana as an insurance carrier.***

53. MOTION TO ADOPT Resolution 1999-148 supplementing Resolution 1999-4 which authorizes the issuance, subject to the election herein provided for, of not exceeding One Hundred-Thirty-nine Million Nine-Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$139,900,000) Aggregate Principal Amount of General Obligation Bonds of Broward County, Florida, for the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, expansion, and equipping of library facilities in Broward County, Florida; and providing for an effective date.

***ACTION: (A-1795) Approved as amended to keep the options open for existing facilities and allow the cities to have input as to how the dollars in their area will be spent, either to relocate or renovate existing facilities.***

54. DISCUSSION: Commissioner Gunzburger suggested holding a meeting with Miami- Dade, Broward and Palm Beach Counties, and possibly Monroe County, to see how many issues these counties have in common on the legislative agenda for Tallahassee and see if there can be agreement to work as a team because these counties control more state legislators than the rest of the state.

***ACTION: (A-2198) The Board directed staff to schedule a meeting, and explore it being held aboard a Tri-Rail train. Further, staff is to schedule a workshop with the the School Board.***

55. DISCUSSION: The Chair directed Commission Auditor Norman W. Thabit to contact Norman Robert & Associates Inc. on the effects of the search for a County Attorney in light of the action taken by the legislative delegation indicating that Senator Jim Scott's bill would provide that the new mayor, if approved, would have the ability to hire and fire the county attorney. Also, would there be fewer applicants because they would have only a two-year window of opportunity before they could be fired by the mayor, and would it be necessary to offer a considerable severance package with a financial impact on Broward County's budget.

***ACTION: (A-2321) Mr. Thabit will report back on February 9, 1999.***

56. DISCUSSION: The Chair commented on a letter from Church & Tower Inc. on the jail facility.

***ACTION: (A-2370) Dick Brossard, Director, Public Works Department, suggested continuing with the contractor's proposal and try and complete the project.***

57. CONFERENCE CALL: Teleconference call from Vice President Al Gore advising various cities of the President's Year 2000 grants for the expansion of public transportation. Vice President Gore advised Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach Counties that they will receive \$20 million to help the Tri-County Commuter Rail Authority make important system improvements, including double tracking, station and signal improvements that will greatly increase the speed, safety and reliability along the corridor. The budget will provide the State of Florida with a record \$336 million in new transportation funding to help ease traffic congestion and promote livability in the communities in the state.

***ACTION: (A-2980) The Chair thanked Vice President Gore and Secretary of Transportation Rodney Slater for the efforts to help further promote the need for regional transportation in the South Florida***

*community.*

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