

**PALM BEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: December 16, 2008

☒ **Consent** ☐ **Regular**
☐ **Public Hearing**

Department:

Submitted By: ADMINISTRATION

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to receive and file:

A) Resolution No. 2008-183 of the City Commission of the City of Dania Beach, Florida, urging the Florida Legislature to equalize funding based on population to provide each region of Florida, including South Florida, its fair share of State funding;

B) Resolution No. 151-2008 of the City of Boca Raton, Florida, urging the Florida Legislature to equalize funding based on population to provide each region of Florida, including South Florida, its fair share of State funding; and

C) Resolution No. 2-2009 of the City Commission of the City of South Bay, Florida, requesting and supporting construction of a new elementary school in the City of South Bay.

Summary: N/A

Background and Justification: N/A

Attachments: Original Documents

Recommended By: Patty Hndle 12/2/08
Agenda Cogrdinator Date

Approved By: N/A
Assistant County Administrator Date

RESOLUTION 2008-183

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DANIA BEACH, FLORIDA URGING THE 2009 FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO EQUALIZE FUNDING BASED ON POPULATION TO PROVIDE EACH REGION OF FLORIDA, INCLUDING SOUTH FLORIDA, ITS FAIR SHARE OF STATE FUNDING; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; FURTHER, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature recently approved a state budget for fiscal year 2008-2009 of approximately \$66 billion; and

WHEREAS, the state's fiscal year 2008-2009 budget cut approximately \$5 billion from the previous year's budget of more than \$71 billion; and

WHEREAS, it has long been the public perception that the residents of Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach Counties pay more in taxes to the State of Florida than these counties get back in state programs and services; and

WHEREAS, a recent study by the Miami Herald concluded that the people of Miami-Dade and Broward Counties sent over \$7.15 billion in tax revenues to Tallahassee annually, but only received \$6.69 million back, resulting in a difference of \$460 million, which equals \$144 for every adult in these two counties; and

WHEREAS, including Palm Beach County in this analysis likely would bring the annual difference to more than a half billion dollars between what the people of Miami-Dade, Broward and Palm Beach County contribute in tax revenue to the State of Florida compared with what the residents of these three counties receive back in state services and programs; and

WHEREAS, state funding can never be an exact science, but the Florida Legislature should strive as much as possible to provide each different region of the state its fair share of state funding; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Dania Beach believes that equitable distribution of state funding based on population, as set forth above, is in the best interest of the citizens and residents of the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DANIA BEACH, FLORIDA:

Section 1. That the foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are confirmed and ratified as being true and correct and are incorporated into this Resolution.

Section 2. That the City Commission urges the 2009 Florida Legislature to provide to each region of the State of Florida, including South Florida, its fair share of the state funding based on population.

Section 3. That the City Commission of the City of Dania Beach directs the City Clerk to transmit copies of this Resolution to the Governor, the President of the Florida Senate, the Speaker of the Florida House, the Mayor and Members of the Broward County and Miami-Dade County Boards of County Commissioners, the Chair and Members of the Palm Beach County Boards of County Commissioners, and the Mayors, Chairs and members of the governing bodies of the municipalities within Miami-Dade, Broward and Palm Beach Counties.

Section 4. That all resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this Resolution are repealed to the extent of such conflict.

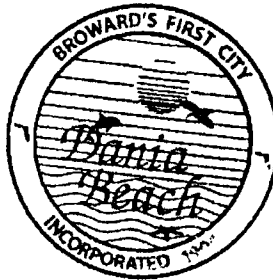
Section 5. That this Resolution shall be in force and take effect upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on October 14, 2008.


ALBERT C. JONES
MAYOR-COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

Louise Stilson
LOUISE STILSON, CMC
CITY CLERK



APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CORRECTNESS:

BY:

Thomas J. Ansbko
THOMAS J. ANSBKO
CITY ATTORNEY

City of Boca Raton

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November 18, 2008

The Honorable Jeff Koons, Vice Chair
Palm Beach County
Board of County Commissioners
Governmental Center
301 North Olive Avenue, Suite 1201
West Palm Beach, FL 33401

Re: Boca Raton City Council Resolution No. 151-2008

Dear Commissioner Koons:

The above referenced resolution urging that the Florida Legislature to equalize funding based on population to provide each region of Florida its fair share of state funding was adopted by unanimous vote of the Boca Raton City Council on November 12, 2008. The enclosed copy of Resolution 151-2008 is being forwarded to you at the direction of the City Council.

Very truly yours,

Sharma Hagerty/sss

Sharma Hagerty, CMC
City Clerk

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Enc.

City of Boca Raton



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RESOLUTION

151-2008

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2 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BOCA RATON URGING
3 THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO EQUALIZE FUNDING
4 BASED ON POPULATION TO PROVIDE EACH REGION
5 OF FLORIDA, INCLUDING SOUTH FLORIDA, ITS FAIR
6 SHARE OF STATE FUNDING; PROVIDING FOR
7 SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEALER;
8 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE
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10 WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature approved a state budget for fiscal year 2008-09 of
11 approximately \$66 billion; and

12 WHEREAS, the state's fiscal year 2008-09 budget cut approximately \$5 billion from
13 the previous year's budget of more than \$71 billion; and

14 WHEREAS, it has long been the public perception that the residents of Palm Beach,
15 Broward and Miami-Dade Counties pay more in taxes to the State of Florida than these counties
16 receive in state programs and services; and

17 WHEREAS, a recent study by the Miami Herald concluded that the residents of
18 Broward and Miami-Dade Counties pay \$460 million more in taxes than they receive in services,
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1 and including Palm Beach County in this analysis would likely increase the difference between
2 taxes paid and services received to over a half billion dollars; and

3 WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Boca Raton believe that
4 equitable distribution of state funding based on population, as set forth herein, is in the best
5 interest of the citizens and the residents of the City; and

6 WHEREAS, although state funding formulae probably can never be an exact science,
7 the Florida Legislature should strive as much as possible to provide each region of the state its
8 fair share of state funding; now therefore

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10 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOCA
11 RATON:

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13 Section 1. The Mayor and the City Council urge the 2009 Florida Legislature to
14 provide each region of Florida, including South Florida and Palm Beach County, its fair share of
15 state funding.

16 Section 2. A copy of this resolution shall be delivered to the Governor, the President
17 of the Florida Senate, the Speaker of the Florida House, members of the Palm Beach County
18 Delegation of the Florida Legislature, the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners,
19 the Broward County Board of County Commissioners, the Miami-Dade Board of County
20 Commissioners, the Florida League of Cities and the municipal leagues of Palm Beach County,
21 Broward County and Miami-Dade County.

22 Section 3. If any section, subsection, clause or provision of this resolution is held
23 invalid, the remainder shall not be affected by such invalidity.

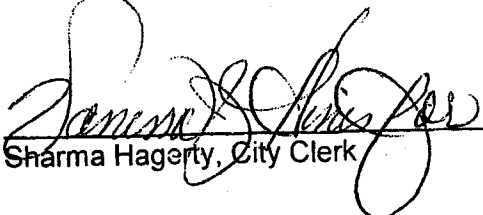
24 Section 4. All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith shall be and
25 hereby are repealed.

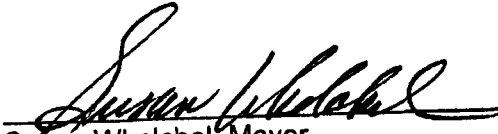
26 Section 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

1 PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Boca Raton this 12th
2 day of November, 2008.

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4 CITY OF BOCA RATON, FLORIDA

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10 Sharma Hagerty, City Clerk

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12 Susan Whelchel, Mayor

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| COUNCIL VOTE | | | |
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| | YES | NO | ABSTAINED |
| MAYOR SUSAN WHELCHER | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| DEPUTY MAYOR PETER R. BARONOFF | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| COUNCIL MEMBER M. J. MIKE ARTS | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| COUNCIL MEMBER BILL HAGER | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| COUNCIL MEMBER SUSAN HAYNIE | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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City of South Bay

335 S. W. 2ND AVENUE
South Bay, Florida 33493

November 6, 2008

The Honorable Addie Greene
301 North Olive Avenue, Suite #1201
West Palm Beach, FL 33401

RE: RESOLUTION NO 2-2009

Honorable Addie Greene :

The Mayor and City Commissioners of the City of South Bay, Florida have requested that I forward to you a copy of Resolution No. 2-2009, approved and adopted at the regular city commission meeting on the 21st day of October 2008. Notably Resolution No. 2-2009 is a request supporting the construction of a new elementary school in the City of South Bay.

Thank you for your support and attention to this request.

Respectfully,



Virginia K. Walker
City Clerk

Enclosure

RESOLUTION NO. 2-2009

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SOUTH BAY, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, REQUESTING AND SUPPORTING CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN THE CITY OF SOUTH BAY

WHEREAS, historically in 1950 the Town Council of the Town of South Bay, Florida (presently known as the City of South Bay) announced that a contract had been let by the Palm Beach County Board of Public Instruction for a new five room school for Negro children; *AND*

WHEREAS, in 1950 and 1951 the new school, Rosenwald Elementary, was constructed by the Palm Beach County Board of Public Instruction; *AND*

WHEREAS, in 2007, the City Commission of the City of South Bay proclaimed 2007 as the 56th Jubilee Year of Rosenwald Elementary and recognized Rosenwald Elementary School pioneers for their perseverance of spirit, courage and commitment to children and families; *AND*

WHEREAS, on November 14, 2007 the Palm Beach County School Board toured Rosenwald Elementary and held a public meeting on site; *AND*

WHEREAS, during the public meeting, school board members received a list of critical concerns about the deteriorating condition of Rosenwald Elementary and a request for the construction of a new school; *AND*

WHEREAS, on November 14, 2007 The Palm Beach Post featured an article, "School Gets Chance to 'Show Off' Problems," about Rosenwald Elementary; *AND*

WHEREAS, research about the impact of physical facilities on student learning indicate that "high achievement is associated with newer buildings, updated and properly maintained buildings, improved lighting, thermal comfort and indoor air quality; in addition, physical characteristics of learning environments can effect students emotionally, with behavioral consequences; *AND*

WHEREAS, physical facilities that provide enough space and proper resources for staff members to comfortably carry out activities with students, assist with homework, and communicate with other faculty members have a positive impact on working behavior of teachers, and thus the overall achievement of students; *AND*

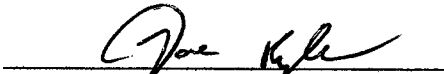
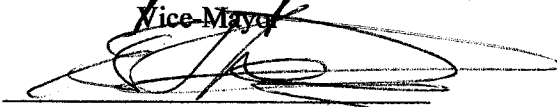
WHEREAS, "schools that maximize opportunities for safety and security can lead to a reduction in the fear and incidence of crime, and an improvement in the quality of life for the students of all ages."

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the South Bay community needs a new school; and the City Commission of the City South Bay, Florida does hereby request and support the construction of a new school within the City of South Bay.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY OF SOUTH BAY CITY COMMISSION AT THE REGULAR MEETING THIS 21ST DAY OF OCTOBER 2008.

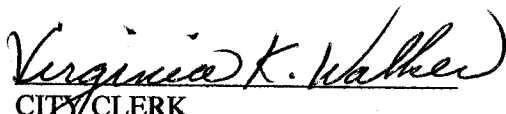
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Mayor


Vice Mayor

Commissioner

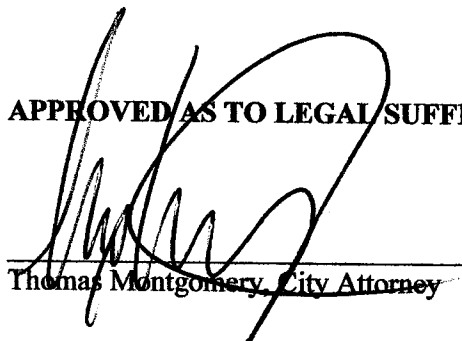
ATTEST:


Commissioner


CITY CLERK


Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:


Thomas Montgomery, City Attorney

RESOLUTION 2-2009