

RESOLUTION No. 2008-225-913

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, SUPPORTS AND URGES THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS TO DELETE A REQUIREMENT TO SEPARATELY CONTRACT FOR SPECIALIZED POLICE SERVICES AND REMOVING THE "MOST FAVORED NATION" PROVISION RELATING TO SPECIALIZED POLICE SERVICES FROM THE CITY'S CHARTER; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Section 6.05 of the Miami-Dade County Home Rule Charter requires an affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Board of County Commissioners then in office to approve the amendment of any pre-agreed condition contained in a municipal charter of a municipality prior to a vote of the municipality's electorate, and

WHEREAS, through various budget ordinances, the County has sought to phase out separate payments by the Town of Miami Lakes, Village of Palmetto Bay, City of Doral, City of Miami Gardens and Town of Cutler Bay for specialized police services by funding these services through the county wide millage, and

WHEREAS, the provisions in each of these municipalities' charters requiring that they separately contract with Miami-Dade County for specialized police services is no longer necessary, and

WHEREAS, by removing the requirement that these municipalities separately contract for specialized police services, the provision for "Favored Nation Status" as it applies to specialized police services is no longer necessary, and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Miami Gardens would like to urge the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners to delete the requirement that the

city separately contract with specialized police services and remove the "Most Favored Nation" provision relating to specialized police services from the City's Charter,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS: The foregoing Whereas paragraphs are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true, and the same are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution.

Section 2. SUPPORT: The City Council of the City of Miami Gardens hereby supports and urges the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners to delete the requirement in the City's Charter that the City separately contract with specialized police services with Miami-Dade County and the removal of the "Most Favored Nation" provision relating to specialized police services from the City's Charter.

Section 3. EFFECTIVE DATE: This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its final passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS AT ITS REGULAR MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 12, 2008.

  
SHIRLEY GIBSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
RONETTA TAYLOR, MMC, CITY CLERK

PREPARED BY: SONJA KNIGHTON DICKENS, ESQ.

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City Attorney

SPONSORED BY: DANNY CREW, CITY MANAGER

MOVED BY: Vice Mayor Watson  
SECOND BY: Councilman Gilbert

**VOTE: 5-0**

Mayor Shirley Gibson	<u>  X  </u> (Yes)	<u>    </u> (No)
Vice Mayor Barbara Watson	<u>  X  </u> (Yes)	<u>    </u> (No)
Councilman Melvin L. Bratton	<u>    </u> (Yes)	<u>    </u> (No) (out of town)
Councilman Aaron Campbell	<u>  X  </u> (Yes)	<u>    </u> (No)
Councilman Oliver Gilbert, III	<u>  X  </u> (Yes)	<u>    </u> (No)
Councilwoman Sharon Pritchett	<u>    </u> (Yes)	<u>    </u> (No) (out of town)
Councilman André Williams	<u>  X  </u> (Yes)	<u>    </u> (No)

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# City of Miami Gardens

1515-200 NW 167<sup>th</sup> Street  
Miami Gardens, Florida 33169



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Date: **November 12, 2008**

Fiscal Impact: No  Yes

(If yes, explain in Staff Summary)

Funding Source: N/A                      1st Reading

Contract/P.O. Requirement: Yes    No

Sponsor Name/Department:

**Danny Crew, City Manager**

Public hearing

Ordinance

Advertising requirement:

RFP/RFQ/Bid #

Quasi-Judicial

Resolution

2nd Reading

Yes  No

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## Staff Summary

### Background:

The City of Miami Gardens along with Town of Miami Lakes, Village of Palmetto Bay, and City of Doral are required through their municipal charters to separately contract with Miami Dade County for the provision of police specialized services. Over the past two years, Miami Dade County through various budget ordinances has pledged to phase out separate payments for specialized police services by funding these services through the county wide millage.

The County has approached all of the above-mentioned municipalities to gain support for the removal of their charter provisions requiring a separate payment for specialized

police services. The County has advised that they will pay the all costs associated with placing this question on the ballot.

**Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the City Council adopt the attached resolution urging the Miami Dade County Board of County Commissioners to approve an amendment to the City charter to delete the requirement to separately contract for police specialized services.