

RESOLUTION No. 2008-81-768

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO REQUEST THAT THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MODIFY THE PROJECT DESCRIPTION FOR THE BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND PROGRAM; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on November 2, 2004, Miami-Dade County residents approved the Building Better Communities General Obligation Bond (GOB) Program, and

WHEREAS, the City of Miami Gardens was awarded approximately \$9.83M over a five-year period for design and construction of the City's park system, and

WHEREAS, the City of Miami Gardens has prepared a Parks Master Plan, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Parks Master Plan, in an effort to facilitate the timeline and construction plans as outlined in the Master Plan, City staff is requesting that the Council authorize the City Manager to request that the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners change the Project Description for the GOB Program from "Park improvements to all 16 parks in the City of Miami Gardens to include: renovations and new construction of stadiums, field centers, recreational centers, athletic fields and facilities, pedestrian and vehicle access, irrigation and pool improvements" to "Park improvements as detailed in the City of Miami Gardens Parks Master Plan,"

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.

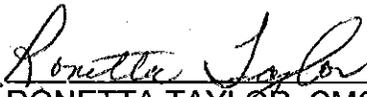
Section 2. AUTHORIZATION: The City Council of the City of Miami Gardens hereby authorizes the City Manager to request that the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioner modify the Project Description for the GOB Program from "Park improvements to all 16 parks in the City of Miami Gardens to include: renovations and new construction of stadiums, field centers, recreational centers, athletic fields and facilities, pedestrian and vehicle access, irrigation and pool improvements" to "Park improvements as detailed in the City of Miami Gardens Parks Master Plan."

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 APRIL 23, 2008.

  
SHIRLEY GIBSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
RONETTA TAYLOR, CMC, CITY CLERK

PREPARED BY: SONJA KNIGHTON DICKENS, ESQ.  
City Attorney

SPONSORED BY: DANNY CREW, CITY MANAGER

MOVED BY: Vice Mayor Watson  
SECONDED BY: Councilman Gilbert

**VOTE: 6-0**

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>  x  </u> (Yes)	<u>    </u> (No)
Councilman Oliver G. Gilbert III	<u>  x  </u> (Yes)	<u>    </u> (No)
Councilman Aaron Campbell	<u>    </u> (Yes)	<u>    </u> (No) Out of country
Councilwoman Sharon Pritchett	<u>  x  </u> (Yes)	<u>    </u> (No)
Councilman André Williams	<u>  x  </u> (Yes)	<u>    </u> (No)

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# City of Miami Gardens

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Miami Gardens, Florida 33169



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## Agenda Cover Page

Date: **April 23, 2008**

Fiscal Impact: No **X** Yes

(If yes, explain in Staff Summary)

Funding Source: GO Bonds – Misc Parks

Contract/P.O. Requirement: Yes **X** No

Sponsor Name/Department:

**Antranette Pierre, CIP Department**

Public hearing

Ordinance

1st Reading

Advertising requirement: Yes No **X**

RFP/RFQ/Bid #

Quasi-Judicial

Resolution **X**

2nd Reading

## Title

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## Staff Summary

On November 2, 2004, Miami Dade County residents approved the Building Better Communities General Obligation Bond (GOB) Program. As a result, the City of Miami Gardens was awarded approximately \$9.83M over a five year period, for design and construction of the City's park system.

The Administrative Rules for the Building Better Communities Program have been established and approved by the Board of County Commissioners. As a condition of the bond program, the City entered into Interlocal agreements with Miami Dade County for each respective City park. These agreements specified, among other things, the administration of the approved project and budget allocation. City Resolution Nos. 2007-05-512, 2007-06-513, 2007-07-514, 2007-08-515, 2007-09-516, 2007-10-517, 2007-11-518, 2007-12-519, 2007-14-521, 2007-15-522, 2007-16-523, 2007-17-524, 2007-18-525, 2007-19-526, 2007-20-527, and 2007-21-528 were approved February 6, 2007.

Upon review and approval of the Parks Master Plan by the Parks and Recreation Board in February 2007, as well as the City Council in June 2007, the City staff was authorized to take the necessary steps to implement the many suggestions mentioned by our residents and park staff to upgrade the parks. Upon completion of the planning and design phases, CIP obtained preliminary cost estimates for the proposed improvements, reviewed our existing budget and stipulations specified by various funding sources including hard deadlines for expenditures of grant funds.

Based on the results of this analysis, it was determined the best course of action was a phased construction approach to the Park Master Plan which included infrastructure improvements to all parks and the complete build out of the Miami Gardens Community Center. In order to facilitate the new timeline and construction plans, the City is requesting that Miami Dade County Commission change the project description that currently reads "Park improvements to all 16 parks in the City of Miami Gardens to include: renovations and new construction of stadiums, field centers, recreational centers, athletic fields and facilities, pedestrian and vehicle access, irrigation, and pool improvement" to read as follows "Park Improvements, as detailed in Parks Master Plan".

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that City Council approve the attached resolution authorizing the City Manager to request the Miami Dade County Commission to modify the project description from the Building Better Communities General Obligation Bond Program for Parks' Renovation and Improvements.

DC:AP